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BRIEF NEWS NOTES OF HAPPENINGS IN NORTH END TOWNS

What Your Neighbors Have Been Doing During the Past Week.

Interesting Events in This Part of San Mateo County Reviewed in Terse Paragraphs.

Incorporation mass-meeting Sunday.

Mr. Price, of Vista Grande, moved to the city last week.

Gegax and family moved to East Oakland last week.

Fahey Brothers' saloon was robbed again Sunday night.

Choir rehearsal on Friday evening at Vista Grande M. E. Church.

H. E. Duffey went to Vallejo last week to accept a position in a bakery.

Mrs. E. Anderson, Vista Grande, gave birth to a fine baby girl Sunday.

Mrs. Gilmartin and children are going to the country for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Degner, 514 Garden street, is home after a short absence in the country.

Mrs. Behre, Vista Grande, went to Alameda Tuesday on a visit to her daughter.

First-class union printing right here at home. Quick work and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. *

For Rent.—Four-room cottage, bath, corner Colma Ave. and Mission road. Inquire Bracken's saloon. Jul 1*

F. S. Knowles is having the office recently occupied by Ben Feneheman fitted up for a cigar stand.

The Record is prepared to print your election cards with union label and first-class in every particular.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent, Hillcrest, will move to Sunnyvale next month, where they have bought a ranch.

Mrs. Newman gave a reception last Sunday at her home in honor of her daughter, Myrtle's, confirmation.

Mr. and Mrs. Barger, and their nine children, of Mission Tract, have gone to the country for their vacation.

The Protestant Sunday School of Colma meets every Sunday at 9:30. Mrs. H. W. Brown is superintendent.

Miss Lilla Harris of Hillcrest is spending the vacation with her aunt and uncle at Jackson, Amador county.

For Sale—Lot 47, block 3, Melrose and Theta, 25x145, with improvements. $750. Inquire Mission Road House. 14*

For Sale.—Account of sickness, business property, saloon and grocery, including building. Call at Record office. 14*

Men's laundry and family washing done in a first-class manner. Call at 115 Theta avenue, or phone Mission 5817.

Z. J. Montgomery, the Colma architect, has completed plans for a $4000 residence to be erected by Mathew Callan.

The Knickerbocker Whist Club meets with Mrs. W. J. Sweeney, 215 Crocker boulevard, next Wednesday evening.

The Record's job printing department has been unusually busy this week. First-class work is what counts.

Mrs. C. A. Johnson, 130 Irvington, leaves Monday with her little daughter, Pauline, for a month's stay at Saratoga.

The Companions of the Forest gave a dance Tuesday evening in Ryan's Hall which was largely attended and a success.

There is being a band organized in Vista Grande and the boys are practicing every Wednesday evening at Ryan's Hall.

For Sale.—A fine lot and 2-room cottage, cheap. Lot 13, block, 26, Hillcrest. Inquire at Spring Valley Lumber Yard. 14*

Mrs. Dr. Poket is arranging to give a dinner Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. and Herbert Harper, on their return from Stockton.

The Civic Betterment League of San Mateo County meets every Tuesday evening at Hillcrest Drive and Mission Road, in Papa's Hall. *

THE NEW LUMBER YARDS OPENED BY A. L. STOCKTON

Large and Complete Stock of the Best Grades of Building Materials Builders Hardware

New Yards on True Union Principles

Mr. A. L. Stockton, a lumberman of many years' experience in the business, who thoroughly understands the needs of the builder and contractor, has completely stocked up the yards opposite the Crocker tract, corner of Mission road and Bismarck street, that was formerly known as the "Colma Lumber Company," and now invites the general public to call and see him regarding any proposed building.

Mr. Stockton has a very large supply of all kinds of lumber to select from, and in addition, carries all kinds of building hardware, paints, oils and in fact, everything needed in the erection of a building, including mouldings and all kinds of millwork that is of a quality strictly first-class, and all at prices that defy competition. Prices that will save you money, because of the care used in supplying quality and quantity that is to your interest in an economical way.

In an interview with Mr. Stockton on the Union question, the writer took pains to inquire if the gentleman was in full accord with Union principles, and he replied emphatically that he was, and that he was in no manner in sympathy with the former owner of that place, who actually had to quit business because of his antagonism to Union labor. Therefore the reopening of the yards by Mr. Stockton can be greeted with satisfaction by everybody, in the positive assurance of his fairness to all Unions and Union principles.

The ball game Sunday between the Vista Grande and Hillcrest Fire Company teams resulted in a score of 20 to 6 in favor of Vista Grande.

There will be no services at Vista Grande M. E. Church Sunday except Sunday school, on account of the church dedication at San Bruno.

Catherina and Martha Raylton are home on their vacation. Martha will spend a week with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hink in the country.

Fire Company No. 1 entertained Companies No. 2 and 3 with a high jinks at the rooms of the Hillcrest Club last Sunday and had a jolly good time.

"Jack" Landers, wife and little daughter, Eva, arrived last week from Fresno and will remain here. Mrs. Landers is a sister of Mrs. W. N. Flaherty.

The Salvation Army start their meetings Tuesday evening at 21 Carlos avenue, Hillcrest, and will meet every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings at 7:30.

The Record's new job printing department is meeting with good success, and the high grade of work that is being turned out is reeciving universal praise. *

J. V. Hohmann, that grand old veteran of Colma, left Monday for Calistoga, on a month's sojourn for his health. Upon his return he will retire from business.

For Sale.—On easy terms, or exchange for ranch, in Colma, fine lot 50x100, well improved; 3-room house, property well. Address Paul Fisher, Box 92, Colma. 12*

The Colma Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. C. P. Lambert Wednesday and were nicely entertained with music and refreshments. The ladies are arranging a quilt raffle.

Wednesday evening the marriage of Louis Pocket and Miss Anna Baxa, both of Vista Grande, took place at the Ocean View Catholic Church. After the ceremony the couple left for Stockton.

Grace M. E. Church, Vista Grande, is arranging for an entertainment at Ryan's Hall on July 12, and will present that very laughable farce, "The Deestrict Skule." The tickets will be 25 and 15 cents.

No need to go to the city for **Job Printing.** The Record has installed a beautiful outfit, first class in every particular, latest designs in type and every modern facility for producing perfect results. *

Great Boom in Building. The biggest in San Mateo County in years. H. H. Smith has increased his lumber yard to satisfy the demands of the people. Patronize home and your neighbor who has interests in your own town. *

THE SECOND INCORPORATION MASS-MEETING

AT THE COLMA HALL

Sunday, June 26, '10

At 10:30 A. M.

EVERYBODY INVITED

Pursuant to a call of the Civic Betterment League, the preliminary mass-meeting for the consideration of incorporation last Sunday, was largely attended by representative men from all over the Jefferson District.

Harry G. Styles, of South San Francisco, was first called upon, and made excellent remarks regarding the success attained by incorporation in South San Francisco.

H. W. Brown then made an argumentive and convincing plea favorable to incorporation, and pointed out facts and law that would seem positively certain to give us the power to incorporate if we go about it right. Mr. Brown also replied to a question of T. Shehan, of Crocker Tract, asking if incorporation would in any way release real estate companies of the obligations of their contracts. "While I have not investigated this matter," says Mr. Brown, "common sense would most certainly say, No!"

Dennis Quillinan then addressed the meeting in an enthusiastic speech and congratulated the League in its initiative efforts toward securing this greatly needed self-government, and urged that the lines should include the entire Jefferson School District.

Hon. R. S. Thornton, that grand old pioneer of Colma, was enthusiastically in favor of the movement and urged that perfect harmony should exist in this grand cause, that we all get together as one good fighter, then failure would be impossible.

W. N. Talbott spoke of the location of the Panama-Pacific at Lake Merced, and that such a condition would make this the most important district in the United States.

Frank Smack concurred in the remarks of Mr. Thornton fully and said he would do all in his power to secure incorporation.

Matt Callan made a few spirited and convincing remarks favorable to the cause and pledged his hearty support.

J. S. O'Brien spoke with much fervor on the question and suggested that about the only obstacle that might interfere would be the selection of the name. For himself, he had no choice and would be satisfied with any name, as it was incorporation that we wanted under any and all circumstances.

This talk was greeted with universal approval and Mr. Thornton gave the meeting a bit of history regarding the name Colma, saying that originally it was called "School House Station," and that the agent was a dyspeptic who was always complaining of it being "cold" here, and from that word "cold" the name was changed by the railroad company unknown to anyone here, and even against the advice of the postal authorities, who objected on account of its similarity to Colusa and Coloma.

George Savage, A. Larson and others spoke on the subject, after which it was decided to be the sense of the meeting that **any name would be satisfactory,** and it was decided that suggested names should be submitted at the next mass-meeting to be held in Colma Hall, Sunday, June 26, at 10:30 a. m.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Finance—J. S. O'Brien, Matt Callan, R. S. Thornton, T. Sheehan, Shoup and Gust Johnson.

Judiciary—H. W. Brown and C. W. Butler.

Boundary—Hon. R. S. Thornton and T. J. Mullins.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again in Colma Hall next Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

Monday afternoon R. S. Thornton called at the Record office with the request that the Record make mention of the copy of the resolutions asking the Supervisors for incorporation, dated April 11, 1903, that were unanimously passed at a mass-meeting previously held. These resolutions were signed and presented to the Supervisors by a committee composed of the following gentlemen: Silvio Belli, James T. Casey, G. Burns, John Davidson, Patrick Gorman, Geo. C. Luce and R. S. Thornton, and the resolutions were attested by George C. Luce as chairman and W. J. Savage as secretary. "This bit of information," said Mr. Thornton, "is of historic interest at the present time."

For the Vista Grande Fire Department Fourth of July celebration, the beautiful quarter cards, printed in red and blue ink, are the production of the Record job printing department.

Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 614 Mission Road, has added to her dry goods stock a line of ready-to-wear ladies' shirtwaists and children's dresses. Also Union-made overalls for men and boys. Special prices this week. *

Peter Stampinoni, of Colma, is dead, having breathed his last Monday evening after an illness of many months. The funeral took place Wednesday at the Corpus Christi Church when a requiem high mass was celebrated. The deceased was 37 years old. He had resided in Colma several years and had many warm friends who regret his untimely death.

Chas. P. Lambert, the monumental worker, is an expert at his profession and makes a specialty of letter-cutting on monuments in cemeteries—gilded if desired. Shop and residence near Mt. Olivet and the Italian cemeteries.*

Eliakin Squier, father of Elias G., Eugene and Heman G. Squier, of Vista Grande, died at 1:45 Wednesday morning at St. Joseph's Hospital, aged 81 years. The funeral took place yesterday, and the remains were laid to rest in Woodlawn.

Dr. P. D. Rowland, Physician and Surgeon of the German Hospital, has office hours in the Knowles building, Hillcrest, from 7:00 to 8:30 p. m. Hospital hours, 9:00 to 12 a. m.; phone Park 349. Residence, 117 Peoria street, near Green avenue, Crocker Tract, phone Mission 7270.

Fourth of July at Vista Grande.

The Vista Grande Fire Department Fourth of July celebration to be held at Vista Grande Park, is being arranged with great care and will no doubt be a grand success, both financially and in affording the greatest pleasure to those who attend. The celebration begins with a ball game at 10 a. m., followed by sumptuous refreshments, then will come dancing and all manner of interesting games and contests. Hon. Dennis Quillinan, Fire Commissioner, and other prominent speakers will address the crowd. The proceeds will go to the benefit of the Fire Department, a most laudable cause, certainly.

Dr. F. J. H. Bush, Dentist.

Dr. F. J. H. Bush opened up his Dental Parlors in the Knowles Building, Monday, March 14, 1910, with office hours from 10 a. m. to 7 p. m. on week days, and from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m Sundays, and respectfully solicits the patronage of the public. Dr. Bush is a first-class dentist in every branch of his profession, and always gives perfect satisfaction. *

Boy Wanted to Be a Bandit..

Petaluma.—Carl C. Parks, a lad of tender years, shouldered a shotgun and packing his belongings in a grip, left the family home at Sebastopol to see the big world. At Petaluma he encountered Officer Kyle and his dream was shattered. The officer found the lad at 2 o'clock in the morning and placed him in the city jail. Later he was returned to his parents' home.

Sand Bar in Sacramento River.

Sacramento.—A sand bar is forming in the Sacramento river at the mouth of the American river, a short distance above the bridge connecting the Sacramento and tributaries, and is giving much trouble to river craft.

Mrs. Thos. Spellman, one of the most prominent ladies in Colma society, has been very ill and was confined to the hospital. For a time her life was despaired of, but the Record is now pleased to state she is on the rapid road to recovery.

Louis T. Compton, an old friend of the Record editor, and a prominent member of the Typographical Union and an active worker in Unionism generally, is out in an announcement of his candidacy for State Senator from the 20th district in San Francisco.

By giving your job printing to the Record, you thereby assist your home paper and enable it to more effectually assist you and your interests in this locality. If you get your printing elsewhere, you get nothing in return compared to the assistance that the Record can and will give you if you will just "tote fair." *

The service of the Vista Grande postoffice is certainly excellent. A letter mailed either at the office or in the box at the corner of Mission and Hillcrest Drive, any time during the night, will be taken up in time to arrive in the city for all the outbound morning trains, or for delivery to any part of San Francisco before noon.

Have you ever called in that beautiful little store, corner Mission and Los Angeles Ave., the Mission Tract Grocery, recently purchased by H. L. Carmichael? You will certainly be pleased if you give the place a trial, as the stock is pure and complete in every particular, and your patronage will be appreciated.

Miss Ethel Harris, the office assistant with the Record, is in full charge during the editor's absence. Soliciting subscriptions, advertising and job printing, and gathering local news items, are included in the lady's duties and she is commended to the respectful consideration of all, as the Record's duly authorized representative.

News was received Wednesday evening by Mrs. R. S. K. MacMillen of the death of her mother, Mrs. Samuel Buchanan, at Everett, Wash., of pneumonia, aged 73. The funeral takes place Saturday and the remains will be laid to rest in the Snohomish cemetery. Mrs. MacMillen left for Everett Wednesday evening and was joined at Sacramento by her sister, Mrs. Murchie. The deacesed had just returned home from a six months' visit with Mrs. MacMillen.

Kansas City.—Daniel McKnight, 14 years old, saved one boy from drowning and almost lost his own life in an attempt to rescue another from the Kaw river here. Charles Alstead, 12 years old, was rescued. Gladmar Zager, nine years old, was drowned.

TRUSTS WILL BE TRIED FOR ACTS OF CONSPIRACY

Members of Vegetable Combine Indicted for Violating Cartwright Law.

Witnesses and Monopoly's Books Expose Methods of Maintaining Price of Garden Truck.

San Francisco.—Indictments for conspiracy to restrain trade have been voted against the vegetable trust and its directors by the Grand Jury. In the true bills filed with Judge Van Nostrand were named the Protective Society of Gardeners and Ranchers of San Francisco and San Mateo counties, as a corporation, and President Emanuel Maggi, Vice-President G. Ferroggiaro, L. Secchini, F. Armenio, D. Garassino, S. Bottini and G. Garibaldi, the committee which fixes the prices at the Colombo market and disciplines members who attempt to undersell.

The vegetable trust makes the second conspiracy of the kind to be attacked by the present Grand Jury. The first, which was also the first local application of the Cartwright law, related to the fish trust.

After the seizure of the society's constitution, by-laws and minute books at its office in the Colombo market by Detective Sergeant Steve Bunner, there remained only the gathering of proper witnesses to show these regulations had been carried into effect. The rules not only plainly declared the purpose to fix the prices and to punish underselling by putting members under $500 bonds each, but there were revealed in the minutes the details of these affairs.

Three members who had been so fined testified before the Grand Jury. They were Mike Varni, A. Tiscornia and G. Capurro. Varni runs the business of T. Varni & Co., which was fined $5 last April for underselling. The minutes say that the firm was convicted of selling first quality spinach at the price of second quality. Varni pleaded the stuff was inferior, but the committee seems from the records never to have accepted excuses of this kind. The offenses of the other two men were similar. Their names appear on printed handbills written in Italian and headed, "This communication is strictly private and confidential and for members only."

Another form of blacklist was maintained against retailers. Orazio Garibaldi, who has a stand at 735 Haight street, and Thomas Volos, at 2986 Washington street, told their experiences in this regard to the jurors.

Garibaldi found himself unjustly charged at the end of the week by one dealer for $21.50, when his own account was for $19. He refused, as a matter of principle, to pay the extra $2.50, and then found he was unable to buy from any of the other 80 dealers until he gave in. Volos became short of funds and was unable to pay his bill at the end of the two-week limit set by the rules. His bill was owing a grower named Solari. So when he appeared in the market with ready cash to buy from the other 81 dealers, he was greeted by the cry of "Solari." The result was he had to suspend till he could pay up his account.

The society's rules give the directors the right "to secure the services of special persons of confidence, even though unknown to the members of the society, in order to investigate accusations and violations of rules."

The books were translated from the Italian for District Attorney Fickert by Attorney Charles Sferlazzo, who says the members of the vegetable trust are largely from the province of Genoa. President Maggi, when the investigation was announced, left for Europe.

Hindus Still Coming.

San Francisco.—Within the past year nearly 4,000 Hindus have come to the port of San Francisco, and the stream of East India laborers continues at the rate of about one hundred a week. On every transpacific steamer carrying passengers the East Indianen have become a regular part of the complement of passengers.

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Poorly cooked food often drives men to drink and women to suicide.

"An Indiana man wants a divorce because his wife chews tobacco." Fine cut or plug?

When it comes to keeping out of the penitentiary women are more successful than men.

Buy your own home in the country, and become a perennial instead of a hardy annual.

Paris has a "ham and iron" fair, though ham and diamonds would be a more appropriate combination.

A pastor says he wants to go to heaven by the quickest route. He is not, however, in a hurry to start.

A Western man has the distinction of having survived the professional treatment of twenty-six physicians.

It is evident that the Grand Vizier of Morocco isn't popular among his wives. Three of them tried to poison him.

A man was found wandering about Chicago in a dazed condition with $7,000 in his pocket. That's enough to daze anybody.

Everybody counts in a census. One doesn't have to be a baseball pitcher or a banker to have his name recorded in Uncle Sam's big book.

A celebrated oculist says that people seldom see things as they are. Particularly is this true when they look at get-rich-quick schemes.

Leguminotherapy, this alleged new science of rutabagas and things, can never hope to be popular unless it changes its name to something easier.

It seems to be the consensus of opinion among public men that Governor Hughes would make an excellent Supreme Court Justice in spite of his whiskers.

According to a Chicago judge, a woman has a right to bounce a rolling pin off her husband's head. Does the same ruling apply in the case of a stove poker.

A New England woman detective is to marry a millionaire. Perhaps he thinks in view of the attacks on wealth, now the fashion, that a detective will come handy in the family.

The girls who take the domestic science courses at the Kansas Agricultural College have to make themselves a complete outfit, from underclothing to a silk dress, before they can take a degree. Most of their grandmothers had to do their own dressmaking without getting a diploma for doing it. But whether taught at home or in school, it is a useful thing for young women to learn—and it is fascinating work besides.

Some interesting statistics about the migratory habits of a portion of the human race have been collected by a great city gas company. It was found, for example, that in the course of thirty-two months 132 families moved into and out of one tenement building. During the same period a single apartment sheltered twenty-five different families. Surely the philosophy of Poor Richard must be at fault, for in these cases "three removes" could not have been "as bad as a fire."

Artemus Ward said that a comic paper was no worse for having a joke in it now and then, and his words have ever since been quoted as embodying the gospel of wit and humor. The great form of American mirth is the joke. "It is to laugh"—that's our creed in a sentence. Misplaced capitals, awkward spelling, impossible grammar, infinite incongruity of situation, endless word-play, grotesquery of action and character, heightened by pictures equally funny, these are the things that make us laugh. We are quick to catch the point of a cartoon, to enjoy the exaggeration of a caricature. But to smile at the mock-serious, to be amused by satire, is a refinement as yet beyond us.

Probably half in jest, Anthony J. Drexel, multi-millionaire of Philadelphia, expressed his consternation over the cost of a breakfast at one of New York's splurge hotels. He ordered two eggs and a cup of coffee and the bill was $1.75. "A man's wages for a day," he remarked—"not for me," he added, "but for many just as good a man." Of course, the many just-as-good men don't pay that price for eggs. They can buy a dozen for what Mr. Drexel paid for his coffee, and they can drink coffee a week on what Mr. Drexel paid for one of his eggs. Nevertheless, the price Mr. Drexel pays has its influence upon what the common man pays. Under the cold storage system the great companies can hold up the supply of eggs, and then, if they can sell the fresh eggs in New York to absurd hotels for a monstrous price, they will add something to the price the common man pays for storage eggs. The rich people of to-day have a chance to make a dent upon the price of living by assuming the virtue, if they have it not, of demanding their money's worth, and refusing to give away their money simply because it comes easy. The virtues of abstinnece are as open to the rich as to the poor.

Where there is a rapid growth in a country there is always a tendency to overestimate the population. This falls in with the plans of boomers and even gives pleasure to disinterested patriots. No doubt it is felt in Canada just now, and the fever of it may have got into the blood of Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, who predicts that the census of 1911 will show that the Dominion has 8,000,000 inhabitants. However this may be, there have been changes enough in the last ten years to make the development of Canada one of the most interesting studies of the time. During the latter part of the last century the growth of the country had been slow. The population, which was 4,324,810 in 1881, increased to 4,833,239 in 1891 and to 5,371,315 in 1901, making a small percentage for the twenty years. But though complete figures are lacking, it is certain that there has been an astonishing change since the beginning of the present century. The Province of Manitoba, which had a population of 255,211 in 1901, had increased to 365,688 in 1906, and in the same period Alberta had advanced from 72,841 to 185,412 and Saskatchewan from 91,460 to 257,763. In 1901 the number of people from the United States was placed at 127,899. The immigration from the United States alone in the year 1909 was more than 90,000, and the current has been strong for several years. It is to be noted also that the newcomers from this country take capital with them, and the estimate of the Canadian immigration commissioner is that these immigrants added to the wealth of western Canada at least $90,000,000. That the country will prove attractive from now on is highly probable, because it offers inviting farms to settlers, and its fame as a wheat field is constantly increasing. The crop of last year was valued at $120,000,000, and each year sees a large increase in the acreage devoted to wheat cultivation.

PHYSICAL EXERCISE.

English Physician Says It Is No Good for Office Workers.

A distinguished London physician, Dr. Alexander Bryce, has started a discussion by asserting that office workers should not take exercise after their day's work. He says:

"The root reason is that though head work is not exercise in the sense that it develops the body, it most decidedly is exercise in that it quickly induces 'fag' and physical lassitude. So it is almost pathetic for a man to expect any good to come from taking more exercise when the exercise involved in the day's work has already tired him out.

"One takes it that young people have had sufficient outdoor exercise to reasonably develop their frames before beginning office work. So when once they have started in the office in earnest it is much better for them to realize at once that their days of hard physical strain are over and done with, and that henceforth they must confine these efforts to week-ends and holidays. They can follow this advice calmly enough, for it does not mean at all that they are going to deteriorate suddenly into wrecks.

"The body and system easily attune themselves to circumstances, even to over-civilized and consequently rather unnatural circumstances, and indoor head workers will soon find that a very decent state of health can be maintained with little or no apparent exercise.

"For all people living under the undoubted inconvenience of earning a livelihood a most excellent rule of thumb in regard to this much misunderstood question of work and exercise is the following: Never try to mix the two, and stop exercising at once if you do not find that it gives you real enjoyment.

"And I need only add," he concluded, "that the rational way home after a day's work in the office is by train, tram or omnibus, not walking, and that the proper time for real exercise is when no thought of work need intervene for at least forty-eight hours after the exercise has stopped."

Polyglot Dialect.

"How do you like my new Japanese dialect stories?" inquired the budding author of the eminent traveler. The latter smiled.

"They read," he answered, "like a combination of Chinese, Cingalese, Bengalese, Javanese, Maltese and slangese. Aside from this they are pretty fair."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

He Was Short.

Chief of Detectives—Now give us a description of your missing cashier. How tall was he?

Business Man—I don't know how tall he was. What worries me is that he was $25,000 short.—Philadelphia Record.

Forcing a Handicap.

Diogenes returned from his search for an honest man.

"Given up the chase?" they inquired.

"It becomes a matter of necessity," replied the philosopher. "Some one stole my lantern."—Lippincott's.

Might Be Worse.

"My wife often says she could have married a better man."

"Cheer up. Some wives would threaten to get a divorce and do it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Making the World Brighter.

Everybody quit heckling for forty-eight hours and see sow much brighter the world looks.—New York Herald.

If a man could only unload his experience for half it cost!

WOMAN'S SPHERE

The Encouragement of Women.

When we have the "blues" or are suffering from disappointment of any kind, says Orison Swett Marden in Success Magazine, we are apt to think that there is not much we can do but grin and bear it until the discouragement has run its course and the suffering ceases.

It is not necessary, however, for any one to suffer tortures from disappointment or discouragement, for there is a remedy right inside of us for the worst fit of the "blues," the keenest disappointment. Any person who wishes can, by a little scientific training of his thought, completely change his whole mental attitude in a short time by substituting for the suggestion which pains him, troubles him, which brought on the "blues," its opposite. We can antidote our troubles in the same way that we antidote those of others, encouraging ourselves in the same way in which we encourage others.

The next time you feel the "blues" coming on, or a fit of depression or despondency, just get by yourself, after taking a good bath and dressing yourself becomingly, and give yourself a good talking to. Talk to yourself in the same dead-in-earnest way that you would to your own child or a dear friend who was deep in the mire of despondency, suffering tortures from melancholy. Drive out the black, hideous picture which haunts your mind. Sweep away all depressing thoughts, suggestions, all the rubbish that is troubling you. Let go everything that is unpleasant, all the mistakes, all the disagreeable past; just rise up in arms against the enemies of your peace and happiness, summon all the force you can muster and drive them out. Resolve that you are going to be happy, that you are going to enjoy the day, no matter what happens. Just say to yourself, "This is an abnormal condition. Harmony is the everlasting fact. Discord must be unreality, harmony the reality."

Health and Beauty Hints.

Because it matters little how light her hair becomes, a blonde may wash her hair more frequently than a brunette.

When shampooing never rub the soap directly on the hair, as it gums and is almost impossible to rub or rinse off. Always have the soap in some liquid form.

Bushy, irregular eyebrows should be brushed lightly with a camel's-hair brush dipped in olive oil. The same treatment is good for stiff and harsh eyebrows and it is said to make them grow.

To stop bleeding of the fingers, hand, arm or foot, raise the part as high as possible. The best plan in the case of, say, the hand, is to put it under the cold water tap for a minute or half a minute, and then raise it above the head.

When a person feels jumpiness, weariness and listlessness, accompanied by headache, there is indicated a general run-down state of the nerves and the system. Plenty of plain ,nourishing food should be eaten. There should be daily outdoor exercise and a good internal nerve tonic should be taken.

There are various causes for redness of the nose, not to suggest the use of alcoholic beverages as being one of them. If cause exists the remedy suggests itself. But another cause is defective circulation. In such cases outdoor exercise is necessary and much good will result from a cold bath every morning, followed by a brisk rubdown. A good tonic should be taken.

Cleaning Handbags.

The handbag or satchel of undressed kid, when soiled by usage, need not necessarily be turned over to the professional cleaner. The secret of restoration is a piece of sandpaper rubbed over the surface. A very fine grade of sandpaper is required. When this is used with care the effect is magical and no injury to the material accrues. Many kinds of leathers without polished surfaces—for example, suede, undressed and ooze calskin—can be cleaned thus.

A soft satin chiffon is one of the most attractive trimmings for the popular fur hat.

A two-inch bead fringe makes a pretty trimming on a very short cap sleeve for a ball gown.

Beaver cloth may be bought by the yard and is a fashionable material for covering the winter hat.

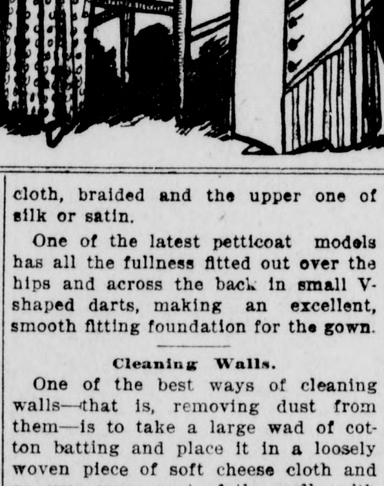
Double revers are shown on some of the coats for winter, the under one of cloth, braided and the upper one of silk or satin.

One of the latest petticoat models has all the fullness fitted out over the hips and across the back in small V-shaped darts, making an excellent, smooth fitting foundation for the gown.

Cleaning Walls.

One of the best ways of cleaning walls—that is, removing dust from them—is to take a large wad of cotton batting and place it in a loosely woven piece of soft cheese cloth and go over every part of the walls with it, changing to a clean piece of cheese cloth when necessary. This is an improvement over the old plan of wiping the walls with the batting alone, because it is impossible to leave the tiniest atom of lint when the batting is inclosed in the cheese cloth.

New-Old Poke Bonnet.



Poke bonnets will always have their way with girls who possess demure faces.

These bonnets have lately been much in evidence. Persian bands and contrasting bows of ribbon compose the trimming of these pretty hats.

New Type of Woman.

The eyes of the world are directed at the matured women who are doing things. The exclusive society woman and she who has only good looks to recommend her are rapidly becoming a thing of the past. We are living in an intensely practical age. So rapidly are we living that all forces are amalgamating, and evolving a type of woman such as the world has never seen before. She is not a fledgling, nor a merely pretty thing, but a woman of gracious tact and wide sympathy, who has lived down many a bitter disappointment and crushed many a sorrow, but who is imbued with the optimistic spirit of Young America; she knows that in order to do her best she must look her best; she inspires old and young with her youthful enthusiasm; she is sincerely interested in every humane question of the day; thus unconsciously does she cultivate those endearing qualities of the heart, the daily exhibition of which, in the course of years, imparts an atmosphere of soft, sweet, femininity, and gives to a woman when she reaches middle life that delightful subtle spirit we call "charm." This is perhaps what the satirical Bernard Shaw meant when he asserted that no woman is possible until she has reached her thirty-fifth year, and not worth talking to until her fortieth!—Delineator.

Value of Fresh Air.

Half the evils and ills of humanity could be cured if more people realized the value of fresh air. It is the basis of all beauty and health, and the girl who is endeavoring to procure a lovely complexion by the use of face lotions will find fresh air twice as efficacious.

When you are terribly fatigued try taking half a dozen long, deep breaths, and see if you don't feel more like living. When insomnia has you in its grip try breathing deeply and regularly as you lie in bed and you will be surprised how easily sleep will come. Nervousness can be cured by forming the habit of breathing deep and long, and one medical authority prescribes it in his schedule for nervous women.

All singers are invariably high-chested and free from colds or chronic coughing spells. It is because they have learned to breathe from the waist, instead of the top of the lungs, as the majority of people do. To breathe deeply is to stimulate the heart and the circulation. It means a full, high chest and broad shoulders. It means practical immunity from the dangers incurred by exposure. It means a good carriage and well-poised head. And, best of all, it means perfect physical health.

The Treatment of Cancer.

Dr. Rampoldi, professor of ophthalmology at the famous University of Pavia, has made a noteworthy discovery which may have important bearings on the search for a cure for cancer. He has experimented with a fluid obtained from the Abrus precatoria, or Indian licorice, and has succeeded in curing several cases of tumor, which, according to his report, disappear within three weeks without leaving any scar. So far Prof. Rampoldi has had about twenty successes and a fair proportion of failures, the latter, however, being confined to cases of tumor of the tongue, lips or throat, of which only half yielded to the treatment.

He Knew One.

"Some adjectives," said the teacher, "are made from nouns, such as dangerous, meaning full of danger; and hazardous, full of hazard. Can any boy give me another example?"

"Yes, sir," replied the fat boy at the end of the form; "pious, full of pie."

Science Vs. Tact.

"Frank, never bring that scientific man to our house again."

"What's the matter?"

"I never saw such impudence. He says the diamonds I wear are merely another form of charcoal; the idea!"—Life.

Why, Oh, Why?

Why is it that when a man discovers that he is a "genius" he allows his hair to grow long, and that when a woman becomes similarly conscious she has her hair cut short?—Fliegende Blaetter.

So Very Neat.

We know a woman who is so scrupulously neat that when she built a house at Newport she had every nail used in building it manicured before it was used

TWO MATERIALS IN ONE SUMMER GOWN.

Old Favorites

When the Cruel War Is Over.

Dearest love, do you remember,
When we last did meet,
How you told me that you loved me,
Kneeling at my feet?
Oh! how proud you stood before me,
In your suit of blue,
When you vowed to me and country
Ever to be true.

Chorus—
Weeping, sad and lonely,
Hopes and tears how vain!
Yet praying when this cruel war is over,
Praying, that we meet again!

When the summer breeze is sighing
Mournfully along;
Or when autumn leaves are falling,
Sadly breathes the song.
Oft in dreams I see thee lying
On the battle plain,
Lonely, wounded, even dying,
Calling, but in vain.

If amid the din of battle
Nobly you should fall,
Far away from those who love you,
None to hear you call—
Who would whisper words of comfort
Who would soothe your pain?
Ah! the many cruel fancies
Ever in my brain.

But our country called you, darling,
Angels cheer your way,
While our nation's sons are fighting,
We can only pray.
Nobly strike for God and freedom,
Let all nations see
How we love our starry banner,
Emblem of the free.

Old Dog Tray.

The morn of life is past,
And evening comes at last,
It brings me a dream of the once happy day,
Of merry forms I've seen
Upon the village green,
Sporting with my Old Dog Tray.

Chorus—
Old Dog Tray is ever faithful,
Grief cannot drive him away;
He is gentle, he is kind,
I'll never, never find
A better friend than Old Dog Tray.

The forms I've called my own
Have vanished one by one,
The loved ones, the dear ones, have all passed away;
Their happy smiles are blown,
Their gentle voices gone,
I've nothing left but Old Dog Tray.

When thoughts recall the past,
His eyes on me are cast,
I know he feels what my breaking heart would say;
Although he cannot speak,
I'll vainly, vainly seek
A better friend than Old Dog Tray.
—Stephen C. Foster.

PUZZLE OF CAR LIGHTS.

Is Explained by Amount of Current Required for Starting Power.

Who has not noticed when riding on the street cars at night that sometimes the lamps which light the cars burn very dim a minute and then seem to burn very bright? Sometimes they go almost entirely out, then suddenly come on again. To the ordinary traveler all this is very mystifying, but to the electrical engineer it is simplicity itself, according to the Electric News.

If a small hole were drilled in a water pipe above a faucet the water, under pressure, would rush out at a terrific speed, but if you should open the faucet the pressure would immeditely drop down so low tthe water would all but cease to flow out of the tiny hole. This is exactly what happens to the incandescent lamps in a street car when they suddenly grow dim, only it is electricity we are dealing with instead of water. To start a loaded street car requires an enormous amount of electricity. The motors fairly eat up the current in order to get the necessary starting power or torque, as it is called. Using such a quantity of electricity diminishes the pressure or voltage of the system and of course the lights dim until the car is under way.

Nearly all street car systems operate at 550-volt pressure. The lamps in the car consume current at 110 volts pressure and they are connected in groups of five in series across the 550-volt circuit. When the voltage for these lamps drops below 110, because of the large amount of current going to the motors under the car, not enough electricity is being forced through the lamp filament to heat it to incandescence and of course the light is dim. Opening wide the current conductors to the motors suddenly lowers the line pressure, which in turn reduces the pressure to the lamps. Once the car is under way the motors do not require so much current and the pressure returns to the lamps and they continue to give their rated candle power until the next time the car is started.

Very Sudden.

"Mabel, I don't propose——"

"Well, George, I've noticed that, but daddy says you'd better propose before long or there will be doin's."

"When you interrupted me, Mabel, I was about to say that I do not propose to wait any longer to learn whether you do or do not return my love."

"Oh, George! This is so sudden!"—Houston Post.

The Scornful.

"What are the seats of the scornful?"

"Didn't you ever have a friend pass you perched up in a fine automobile?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A few politicians in every town are really the people

"The Coward Cat."

This is my little Maltese cat.
Some people say that "cats is nice,"
But those I like most 'specially
Are they who catch the rats and mice.

My cat is 'fraid, I really think;
She sits all day around the house
And sleeps so hard she doesn't wink.
Yet she has never catched a mouse.

Of course she bathes, 'cause cats is neat,
And for a sponge she takes her paw;
Then drinks her milk and eats her meat
And digs the garden with her claw.

She never walks the fence at night
To meet more cats—she seems to fear it.
Sometimes I'd like to see her fight,
And know my kitty had some spirit.

One time my little yellow Dick
Flew from his cage around her head,
She raised her back and ran as quick
As lightning 'way beneath the bed.

I'm sure the rats and mice at night
Run past her back and forth with glee,
They know that she's a "coward cat"
And I'm as 'shamed as I can be.
—Irene Elliott Benson.

Doughnuts.

A story is told somewhere of an excellently brought up child. He was guarded with the utmost care from everything that could possibly harm him. His toys were carefully sterilized and so was his mouth several times a day. The nursery was built with rounded corners, where no germ-laden dust could lie, and with a solid floor and composition walls that could be washed with an antiseptic solution daily.

Especially was his food looked after with the greatest care. Nothing passed his lips that was not down in the diet books as most innoxious—no pork, no pie, no beans even, but only the blandest, the most nutritious, and the most digestible of foods.

He grew apace and seemed to thrive, but one fatal day he was allowed to go alone to see his grandmother. This old lady was of the former generation, which knew not germs, and which apprehended no tragedy from a good, healthy stomach-ache in an active boy, so she fed her visitor with pie and jam and two or three big firm doughnuts.

The surprise was too much for the little one's stomach, so abused with mistaken kindness, and it was only after many days of anxious watching that the doctor could say with assurance that the child would live.

One need not inquire too closely into the truth of this story, but true or not, it points a moral, for it is with the stomach as it is with the system as a whole—it can thrive only by exercise. If the stomach is guarded against everything not easily digestible, everything that demands of it a little hard work, it will never learn to take care of the food that will inevitably get into it some way and somehow at some time.

To the perfectly healthy stomach a well-cooked doughnut is not even a challenge, but to the overcoddled sensitive organ it may be as much a danger as would be a rock.

In this sense the very air is filled with doughnuts. It is not desirable to advocate any Spartan system of hardening, but in the physical as well as in the moral world it is due to the young to prepare and toughen them for the world they are in. Every part of the system calls for toil to strengthen it. As the mind needs problems, so does the stomach need doughnuts, or their equivalent. They need not be fed to babies, neither do people set sums to infants or give them chops, but those who are wise will recognize the hour when it is best that all of these should be ventured.

Horseshoes.

Horseshoes are lucky hung up over a door because they keep the devil out of the house. It happened in this way: Good St. Dunstan was a famous blacksmith, and the king of evil, who used to travel around the world in person before he became so busy, stopped at the saint's forge one day and asked the blacksmith to put a shoe on his hoof. St. Dunstan knew the person he had to handle. He took the ropes that he used to tie horses with and bound the devil so lightly that that gentleman could not move. Then the saint set to work. The devil roared and screamed as St. Dunstan put a red-hot iron shoe over the hoof and pounded it in with long nails. He pleaded with his captor to let him go, promising anything in return.

"If I let you go," said St. Dunstan, "will you promise never to enter a house that has a horseshoe over the door?"

"On my honor as a gentleman I promise," said the devil solemnly, and then St. Dunstan let him go. And from that day to this, so they say, the devil has never entered a house so protected. The devil is a man of his word, whatever else people may think of him.

Thoughts on a New Rug.

The rug that's lying in the hall,
Was never meant for me at all,
And yet it doesn't seem to be
A grown-up rug at all, to me.

It's colored red, and yellow, too,
With bits of brown and bits of blue.
And things that are so bright and gay
Are meant for children, I should say.

And then, besides, it has some queer
Small animals, like little deer,
A-walking round it in a string—
And children like that sort of thing.

And yet it's by the parlor door
Instead of on the nursery floor—
Perhaps the grown folks like to see
Those funny things as well as we.
—Chicago News.

Sour Milk.

There was trouble up in the sky the other day. Halley's comet came so close to the Milky Way that all the milk was soured, and the Heavenly Twins had to go without their breakfast.

Two Cats and a Dog.

Two cat-tails started in to fight,
One pleasant summer day.
A sun-dog jumped down from the sky
And scared them both away.

A SMUGGLER'S HEROISM.

A Girl Who Held Her Fallen Brother on Alps Thirteen Hours.

The heroic effort of a girl smuggler to save the life of her elder brother after holding him thirteen hours on a rope over a precipice is reported from Bellinzona. Mlle. Poretti, aged 18, and her brother, aged 23, left Swiss territory to cross the Baldisco Pass, carrying contraband goods into Italy. On the summit they were overtaken by a violent snowstorm—which raged throughout Southern Switzerland—and were soon in deep snow.

The Poretis roped themselves, the young man leading. They lost their way, and while attempting to find the path Poretti fell through the snow into a crevasse into which he nearly dragged his sister, who, however, planted her ice ax in the snow and withstood the shock.

Early the next morning several smugglers crossing the pass from Swiss territory into Italian found the young girl near the ordinary route taken by smugglers, and recognized her at once, as she belonged to a smuggler's family, and lived at Chiavenna. The smugglers at once drew up the brother, but found that he had died during the thirteen hours his sister had held him by the rope. He had received severe injuries in the head, and his body was frozen.

The smugglers carried down the brave girl, who was almost unconscious, as well as the dead body of her brother, and notified the Poretti family at Chiavenna. On reaching the valley the girl had recovered sufficiently from her terrible experience to explain that she and her brother had spoken for several hours after the accident, and at last he had said that he felt nothing and wanted to sleep.

A warm night followed the snowstorm, or two dead bodies would have been found. Under the great strain the rope had cut through the girl's clothes, and her waist was bleeding when she was rescued.

WESLEY IN HIS GEORGIA WORK.

Great Methodist's Motto, "Be Diligent," Was His Rule of Action

One of the Wesley rules, inherited from early Oxford days and handed down to his "helpers" in later days, was this: "Be diligent; never be triflingly employed." His own output of solid work in Georgia was extraordinary, according to "The Journal of John Wesley," by Nehemiah Curnock, in Harper's Magazine. He mastered at least three languages and taught two. He built a house, fenced and planted a garden, felled trees and helped to make roads. He compiled and published the first hymn book ever used in the English church, and prepared a second, translating hymns, composing others and selecting from the best sources. He had a long, wide and difficult parish. In the library of the London Colonial Office I found a map, drawn probably by an early eighteenth century survey officer, which reproduces Wesley's American circuit, bounded by the Savannah river and extending south to the frontiers of Florida—a territory of pathless woods, swamps and savannahs; a seacoast studded with a perfect labyrinth of islands and indented by river estuaries and creeks. On foot or in pettiawgas and scoutboats he worked his parish, traveling in all winds and weathers and feeding sparsely.

Wrapped in his cloak, he slept on the ground or on deck, drenched with rain and night dews, his clothes sometimes frozen to the earth, fording rivers, losing his way in swamps, reading prayers and preaching to planters and Indian traders and boatmen, singing and reading and praying as he went, observing all his rules, wasting no time, evangelizing every man, woman or child he met with, caring with infinite tenderness for the sick—the bond slave or Jesus Christ, the friend and pastor of lonely colonists,

As He Went on His Way.

"Lady," said Meandering Mike, "you are thinkin' right now dat if I'll chop some wood or cut de grass you'll give me some lunch."

"Correct! You can go right to work."

"Oh, I ain't choppin' or cuttin.' I'm a mind reader an' was practicin' a little."—Washington Star.

When it comes to an argument a woman gives in only when she gives up.

HETTY GREEN.

She Will Turn Over All Business to Her Daughter.

Mrs. Hetty Green, celebrated for years as the richest and shrewest business woman in the world, will soon retire from active business life and will turn over the handling of her immense fortune, estimated at $50,000,000, to her daughter Sylvia, now Mrs. Matthew Astor Wilks.

For months it has been rumored that Mrs. Green's health is failing, and these rumors have been partially substantiated during the last few weeks by the irregularity of the aged woman's visits to her office in the Chemical National Bank, and her feeble appearance when she does materialize there. Among the few persons in close touch with Mrs. Green it is understood that for years she has been quietly training her daughter to successfully manage her immense fortune, and that since her daughter's marriage to Mr. Wilks, with its accompanying possibility of an heir, this training has been increased. It is reported that the transfer of the active control of Mrs. Green's millions to her daughter for management is only a question of a few weeks at most.

Hetty Green is 73 years old. Her age, coupled with her monotonous business routine, has begun to tell upon her. She no longer is able to put the snap and dash into the handling of her affairs that characterized her in the past, although her shrewdness, it is said, is as keen as ever. One of Mrs. Green's geratest disappointments in life, it is said, has been the non-inclination of her son, Edward H. R. Green, who lives in Texas, to become as famous a financier as herself. At one time she put $20,000,000 into southwestern railroads for her son, so that he might become a railroad magnate. The accumulation of wealth, however, is not a fad with Edward H. R. Green, who is content to live well and carry on sufficient business at the same time to keep his mind occupied. Sylvia, the daugther, takes more after her mother, and it is on this account that the control of her mother's enormous fortune will soon be turned over to her.—New York American.

METHODICAL MR. BLINXOM.

His Mysterious Gain of Two Minutes Made Clear to Him.

"I am, I have been all my life," said Mr. Blinxom, according to the New York Sun, "a very methodical man. I rise at a certain hour, take my breakfast at a certain time and start downtown daily always at a certain minute by the clock; but this day for some unaccountable reason I found myself starting two minutes early, and really it quite disturbed me. I couldn't understand how or where I had gained that two minutes.

"But that wasn't the only bewildering thing that was to happen to me this morning. At the office when I took off my hat the office boy, before he could check himself, started back from me with a look of astonishment. A man who came in to see me five minutes later looked at me for a moment with what was clearly amazement, and another man who came in a little later still started back a step when he saw me with 'Er-r-r—hm-m—ha—' before he collected himself and got down to business.

"Then, at a later time yet, when I sent for my stenographer, who is commonly very calm and sedate, why, when she came in she all but laughed at me this morning, and she seemed to be quivering with merriment over something all through my dictation. What could it all mean? Really, I was lost in wonderment over it all until it came time to go out to luncheon, when, as I was drying my hands, I happened to see myself in a mirror. Then I was ready to laugh after I had got over my amazement.

"My head looked like that of the wild man of Borneo, my hair was so mixed up and twisted and tousled. I had somehow forgotten to comb my hair this morning, and no wonder I had created a commotion. But I was glad of one thing. This made it all clear to me how I had come to gain that two minutes in starting away from home, and that was a satisfaction to me, anyway, for I am very methodical."

A Byron Statue.

Many years ago some admirers of Lord Byron raised a subscription for a monument to the poet to be placed in Westminster Abbey. Chantrey was requested to execute it, but on account of the smallness of the sum subscribed he declined, and Thorwaldsen was then applied to and cheerfully undertook the work.

In about 1838 the finished statue arrived at the customs house in London, but to the astonishment of the subscribers the dean of Westminster, Dr. Ireland, declined to give permission to have it set up in the abbey, and owing to this difficulty, which proved insurmountable, for Dr. Ireland's successor was of the same opinion, it remained for upward of twelve years in the customs house, when (1846) it was removed to the library of Trinity College, Cambridge.

The poet is represented in the statue of the size of life, seated on a ruin, with his left foot resting on the fragment of a column. In his right hand he holds a style up to his mouth, in his left a book, inscribed "Childe Harold." He is dressed in a frock coat and cloak. Beside him on the left is a skull, above which is the Athenian owl. The likeness is, of course, posthumous. Thorwaldsen was born November 19, 1770, and died on March 24, 1844.

If you ran a shoe store, would you like it if your clerks bought shoes of an opposition dealer?

THE SEVEN AGES OF MOTHERHOOD.

Oh, mother, that I could do for thee
The things thou hast done for me;
That I could pay back a thousandth part
Of the love thou bearest me;

That I could give the strength I hold,
Now that thou growest old;
That I could strengthen thy feeble step
And let not thy hand grow cold!

Oh, mother, that I could give to thee,
Now that thou canst not see—
That I could give back the sight, my dear,
That thou hast given me!

Oh, mother, that I could give to thee,
Now that thou leavest me—
Oh, mother, that I could give to thee
The life thou hast given me!
—John B. Gruelle in the Detroit Times.

An acre of 12-inch ice usually will provide a harvest of 1,000 tons.

During 1909 the patent office issued 33,514 patents, while 22,328 expired.

Fifty thousand tons of soot are taken from London's chimneys each year.

Venezuela has nearly 5,000 miles of telegraph lines with nearly 200 offices.

Each of Germany's four new Dreadnoughts will require a crew of 1,000 men.

Not many years ago only natural indigo was known, but already the manufacture of artificial indigo has reached a point where it has threatened ruin to many of the cultivators of the indigo plant in India. Nevertheless, the superiority of the natural product in some respects has induced continued investigation of improved methods of cultivation and preparation. It is now predicted that a new era of prosperity for the natural indigo industry it at hand. The introduction of Java-Natal indigo is said to have reduced the expenses of cultivation, and to have increased the production one-half. It is predicted that in the future it will cost less to produce natural indigo than the synthetic dye. Science has played a part on both sides in this competition.

Comparative immunity for a hundred years seems to have made the French forgetful of the danger to their great capital from sudden floods in the River Seine. But the lesson taught this year will evidently have important consequences. It is suggested, among other things, that a large channel be constructed to lead off the floodwaters from a point above the city to a junction with the regular channel below the city limits. The cost of this is reckoned at, at least, $20,000,000. But Paris lies in a great basin, and the proposed cut-off would not save some of the suburbs from inundation. Another suggested solution is to construct in the higher valleys, through which the Seine and its two principal tributaries, the Yonne and the Marne, flow, great reservoirs, to be filled in times of flood. This water, it is argued, would be useful for irrigation purposes, as it could be distributed at will any time after the inundation had ceased. It is probable, also that local protection will be secured by means of higher embankments within the city.

During 1910 it is expected that strenuous efforts will be made to improve the already great efficiency of the gas-engine. Although this form of engine enjoyed a triumph in 1909 through the achievements of the aeroplanes, yet it is pointed out that its old rival, the steam engine, at the same time greatly advanced in fuel economy, achieving a thermal efficiency of 19 per cent., a figure hitherto associated with gas rather than with steam engine tests. It has recently been discovered that, owing to erroneous assumptions, the gas engine has not been credited with having approached as close to the theoretic limit of thermal efficiency attainable by the prevailing four-stroke cycle as it really has approached. Thus it has been shown that a gas engine which by the old standard of efficiency was supposed to have attained 30 points out of a possible 50, has really attained 30 out of a possible 35. This leaves so little room for improvement that experimenters are turning their attention to radical changes in the method of operation which will afford a larger margin for advance.

A HUMAN HOOPSNAKE.

William Gordon, 10 years old, of Clinton, N. J., saw a picture of a human hoopsnake on a circus poster and he stole into the hayloft when his brother Sanford and his sister Belle went to the Sunday school. There wasn't much hay in the loft, and the boy, after a few preliminary stunts in the hand-springing line, buckled his heels to the back of his neck with a strap and began to roll around in imitation of a hoopsnake. On the third lap William inadvertently rolled across a corner of the hatchway and lamost went through. He bumped his ribs on the edges of the opening in the loft. That scared him and made him very tired. When he tried to unbuckle his legs from his neck he found he was too near exhaustion to loose the strap. He rolled up near a window opening toward the farm house and tried to shout for help, but his voice was all in and the hoarse squeak could not be heard ten yards away. In a panic the boy decided on a desperate measure. He rolled himself over to the head of the stairs, and then, closing his eyes, let himself go bumpety-bump to the bottom. He had such momentum he rolled right on out through the door of the barn and over between the legs of Ketchup and Solferino, the team of horses the elder Gordon was hitching up. Gordon gave a shout of astonishment, yanked the human hoopsnake out of danger and cut the strap with his knife. Then he laid the young hopeful across his knee and fanned him with a shingle until the boy had no other pain save that.

NOVEL FRENCH CLOCKS.

Of Wonderful Mechanism, They Tell Many Things Besides the Time.

The clock of Lyons cathedral is a wonderful piece of mechanism and the legend describing it is as follows, an exchange says: The clock crows, the bell sounds the hours, the little bells, the "Sancte Spiritus," the angel opens the gate to salute the Virgin Mary. The two heads of the lions move the eyes and tongue. The astrolabe shows the hours in its degree and the movement of the moon. Moreover, the perpetual calendar shows all the days of the year, the feast days and the bissextile. The hour at which the chimes are complete are 5 and 6 o'clock in the morning, midday and 1 and 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The chimes at the other hours are restricted so as not to interfere with the cathedral services.

Complicated indeed is the clock of Beauvais cathedral. It is said to be composed of 92,000 separate pieces on the fifty-two dial plates, the hour, the day, the week and the month; the rising and setting of the sun, phases of the moon, the tides, the time in the principal capitals of the world, together with a series of terrestrial and astronomical evolutions. The framework is of carved oak, eight meters by five meters, or 26 by 16½ feet.

When the clock strikes all the "edifice" seems in movement. The designer wished to depict the "Last Judgment." This wonderful work recalls the work of Strasburg and is of modern construction. It is the work of a Beauvasian, M. Verite, who was in the engineering department of th Nord Railway. He died in 1887.

Electricity Wins Washing Race.

At the recent electrical show in Chicago electricity won a very pretty race with hand labor to see who could wash the most clothes in a given time.

Five pretty girls, operating new types of electric washing machines and motor-driven wringers, raced with six ladies of pronounced color who did their work by the world-old hand method, using the old fashioned wash tubs, wash boards and hand wringers. The girls started the electric motors to work on the clothes and spent the most of their time laughing and chatting with the visitors while the machines ran themselves. The colored women worked as hard as ever they could, for if they washed half as many clothes as the girls and electricity did they were to get one hundred dollars. The suds flew fast and furious about the colored girls but when time was called they had not washed a third as many clothes as their contemporaries did, so they lost the prize, but were handsomely rewarded for their honest work, demonstrating the vast difference between ancient and modern laundry methods.

Force of Habit.

First Policeman—What did the suffragette say when you were arresting her?

Second Policeman—Said something about "presenting her compliments and regretting that she had made a previous engagement."—Harper's Bazar.

And They Are Obeyed.

"What are unwritten laws, pa?"

"Your mother's, my son; she always speaks them."—New York Press.

The flora of Switzerland is peculiarly adapted to bee culture, and it is estimated that 100,000,000 pounds of honey are made in that country each year.

The man who deserves success and goes after it usually gets it.

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ACTIVITY OF JAPANESE WORRYING ARMY OFFICIALS

Maintain Philippine Wireless Station and Government is Helpless.

San Francisco.—That the Japanese are maintaining a wireless station in the Philippines; that they are becoming active in island politics, and that it is believed in army circles that they were responsible for the sinking of the big naval drydock Dewey recently are among the direct statements made in a letter received by a United States army officer in San Francisco from another officer at Manila.

Access to the letter containing these direct statements was obtained on condition that the names of the officer who wrote the letter and the officer who received it be kept secret.

The letter is dated Manila, May 4th, and was received here only recently. Here are some excerpts dealing with the activities of the Japanese in the islands:

"The officers of the constabulary sent to investigate the report that there was a wireless station with a Japanese general officer in charge several miles above the town of Dagupan, on the gulf of Lingayan, in the northern part of the island of Luzon, have returned and made a report.

"They found the station as reported, situated on a hill overlooking the water, with the Japanese in charge. The signal corps has been intercepting unintelligible messages in cypher for several months past, and it is thought they were sent from this station. The investigating officers have ascertained that messages are being sent constantly.

"Under a most peculiar interpretation of international and Philippine law the American authorities seem powerless to act, and the station is still there. The Japanese in the islands are interesting themselves more and more with and in politics, and it is generally believed here that they were responsible for the sinking of the Dewey."

Dentist Took Back False Teeth.

Paterson, N. J.—A dentist may not forcibly remove the false teeth he has installed in the patient's mouth, just because payment is not c. o. d. This is law in New Jersey at least, interpreted by Judge Lewis in the suit of Dr. William Schanyerson against Mrs. S. Champagner. Mrs. Champagner testified she paid the dentist $50 and promised an equal amount "next week." "That won't do," she said the dentist answered, and thereupon pulled out the upper and lower sets of teeth he had just placed in her mouth. Judge Lewis held that the dentist had no legal claim until his work was completed.

Hookworm at Portland.

Portland, Ore.—A well defined case of pellagra, in its last stages, is being treated at a sanitarium in this city. The case is, so far as known, the first on the Pacific Coast. The sufferer is Mrs. Ida Harden of Rose Lodge, Ore., and the disease is so far advanced that she can not live. She was attacked by pellagra about five years ago. The next attack was in December last, since which the attacks have recurred with increasing frequency and severity. She is very fond of corn and maize products.

Chauffeurs Start Safety Crusade.

Oakland.—The Professional Chauffeurs' Association of this city has undertaken a campaign for the enforcement of road rules. The association is sending out printed cards asking all automobile owners and drivers to observe the laws of the road.

Hindu Sent to Penitentiary.

San Quentin.—The first Hindoo ever imprisoned in a California penitentiary was brought to the State's prison here last week to serve an eleven-year sentence from Placer county, on a charge of assault to commit robbery.

COAST EVENTS OF PAST WEEK TERSELY TOLD

Interesting News Items From States Bordering On the Broad Pacific.

Assemblage of Paragraphs That Present Important Occurrences in Condensed Form.

Stockton.—The heaviest and most unusual windstorm ever known in this county at this time of the year swept over here last week, doing considerable damage to early fruit.

Vallejo.—The flagship California will sail from Mare Island on August 10th for South America. The cruisers West Virginia and Maryland will remain at the navy yard until October.

Oakland.—After surviving more than three days and nights with a broken back, William Meekas, the Southern Pacific employe who was struck by a freight train at the Sixteenth-street depot, is dead.

Stanford University. — The steel work of the new Memorial Church has been completed and the contractors now await the stone workers. The new church is modeled closely after the famous one destroyed in 1906.

San Francisco.—Death came suddenly to David B. Sturges, mathematics instructor in the San Bernardino High School, while he was bidding the graduating class farewell. Without warning he fell to the floor and expired before his class.

Lodi.—The promoters of the new wine plant to be located here expect to have it in readiness to handle the grapes this season, and they claim they will produce at least 1,000,000 gallons of wine this year, and greatly increase the capacity next season.

Seward, Alaska.—The steamer Dora brings news from Bristol bay, Behring sea, that the cannery tender Mizpah, a large gasoline boat belonging to the North Alaska Salmon Company, blew up June 2d, killing the engineer and injuring the other members of the crew.

Sacramento.—Governor Gillet accepted the resignation of State Insurance Commissioner E. Myron Wolf, who is to become a vice-president of an insurance company in San Francisco, and appointed Edward C. Cooper, his private secretary, to fill the vacancy, which is for a term of four years.

Chico.—Two church bodies have vindicated Rev. G. L. Lobdell of charges made by Mrs. Wenonah S. Purvis that he kissed her, that he suggested that he believed in polygamy and hinted that she, Mrs. Purvis, was his soulmate as far as intellect was concerned. The expulsion of Mrs. Purvis from the church was upheld by the investigators.

San Rafael.—Through the efforts of the Marin County Good Roads Association more than $3,000 has been raised and plans have been completed to furnish Warden John E. Hoyle of San Quentin with six wagons and teams to work in conjunction with a force of prisoners which will be assigned to labor on the highway between San Rafael and the state prison.

San Andreas.—Charles H. Reed and H. F. Kidwell of Mokelumne Hill have received permission from the Board of Supervisors of this county to mine portions of Center street in that town. They will mine for gold, and as it is well known that a gravel bed lies across certain sections of the street it is thought that they will strike it rich. They must grade the street after mining it.

San Francisco—A jury in Judge Hunt's court awarded Mrs. Annie Andrews $4,000 damages against the United Railroads as compensation for the death of her husband, William Andrews. She sued for $50,000, and the corporation offered before the trial to compromise with her for $4,500. One reason the amount of the verdict was comparatively small was that Andrews was a man of 52 years.

Stockton.—In an effort to revive the old-time county fair, which proved so popular for many years, the Stockton Chamber of Commerce has taken the initial steps toward securing State aid to meet part of the expenses of these annual gatherings. It is proposed to make a concerted effort and bring forcibly to the attention of the next Legislature the necessity of making an appropriation for the several districts in the State, and especially the San Joaquin valley, where the fairs attracted much attention.

PITHY RESUME OF EVENTS OF ENTIRE WORLD

Brief Paragraphs That Give Busy Readers Review of Week's Happenings.

Summary of News Gathered by Correspondents Located in Every Quarter of the Globe.

London.—Premier Asquith introduced in the House of Commons a bill appointing Queen Mary regent in the event of the demise of King George during the minority of the Duke of Cornwall.

Paris.—The Government has decided that it will be impossible to apply the workmen's old-age pension law, which will cost the Treasury more than $25,000,000 annually, until the last quarter of 1911.

Topeka. —Basing his estimate on recent reports from the wheat belt of the State, Charles H. Harris, director of the State Free Employment Bureau, stated that Kansas will need 40,000 harvest hands this year.

Berlin.—Advices received by the German Cablegram Company from Rio Janeiro state that insurgents in the Prefecture of Jurua, in the Acre district of Western Brazil, have driven out the government and declared their independence.

Chicago.—The laying of the corner stone of the William Rayner Harper Memorial Library made notable the seventy-fifth convocation of the University of Chicago. The library, which will cost $700,000, will provide stackrooms for 1,000,000 volumes.

New York.—A principal part of New York's safe and sane Fourth of July is to be a great athletic carnival, for which so many entrants are expected that the meet will be held on twenty different fields in various parts of the city, instead of at a single spot.

Pueblo, Col.—With a four-fold object, to serve the forests, store the floods, reclaim the deserts and make homes on the land, the eighteenth National Irrigation Congress will convene in Pueblo September 26th and continue its sessions until September 30th.

San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua.—Rumors that the United States was about to intervene and save the revolutionary cause are beginning to bear fruit in the western departments of Nicaragua. Sporadic uprisings have occurred in the departments of Granada and Rivas.

Denver.—A new department of the National Government, with a woman at its head, is one of the propositions indorsed by the National Mothers' Congress at its session here last week. Resolutions were adopted for a department of Home and Child, with a Cabinet officer at its head, if possible a woman.

Schnectady, N. Y.—Aaron P. Huffmier, a former Supervisor of Schenectady county, and the first man to stand trial as the result of the recent graft investigation, has been found guilty by a jury of presenting fraudulent bills against the county. The maximum penalty is seven years in prison or a fine of $1,000, or both.

Chillicothe, O.—Breaking away from its moorings, a dirigible balloon belonging to Cromwell Dixon of Columbus, O., soared to an altitude of half a mile above this city, carrying with it Freddy Myers, ten years old. The balloon drifted five miles, when the gas became partly exhausted and it slowly came toward earth. The boy alighted safely.

Kansas City.—The contents of a bottle, said by government attorneys to have contained bleached flour, exploded during the flour trial here while Prof. S. F. Acres of the chemistry department of Johns Hopkins University was on the stand. The formation of pyroxide gas in the flour caused the explosion, according to the professor. Decomposition, as well as bleaching, would cause gas to form in flour, explained the witness.

New York.—A traffic agreement has been perfected between the Southern Pacific and the St. Louis and San Francisco railroads. The two systems, which are in no way parallel, in their combined form will dominate the railroad business west of the Mississippi, south of the Missouri to the Gulf and to the Pacific. The combined system will have a mileage extending 23,000 miles, making the combination the greatest in America and give it connections with practically every section of the country west of Birmingham and Chicago.

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YESTERDAYS

THE CRIMINAL'S NEMESIS.
Arrival of the Sheriff.

—Minneapolis Journal.

THE MESSENGER.

O ship, ship, ship,
That travelest over the sea,
What are the tidings, I pray thee
Thou bearest hither to me?

Are they tidings of comfort and joy,
That shall make me seem to see
The sweet lips softly moving
And whispering love to me?

Or are they of trouble and grief,
Estrangement, sorrow and doubt,
To turn into torture my hopes
And drive me from paradise out?

O ship, ship, ship,
Thou comest over the sea,
Whatever it be thou bringest,
Come quickly with it to me.
—Arthur Hugh Clough.

HER CONVENIENT EXCUSE

"It's awfully sweet of you to think of it and I should love to go if I were well," said Mrs. Buckley over the telephone. "Oh, no, nothing serious, but I don't feel quite able to go out ——. Oh, yes, I shall be all right in a day or two. Thank you so much for asking me. Good-by."

Mrs. Buckley hung up the receiver with a sigh of relief. "I'm glad I had the presence of mind to decline," she said to herself. "I don't care at all for a stupid drive with Mrs. Drake. Besides, with the Hendersons coming to dinner to-night I've got too much to do this afternoon to waste time going round the park behind her old slow-coach horses."

Two hours later Mrs. Buckley was assisting the cook in the manufacture of a wonderfully complicated dessert when her husband burst into the room with an anxious frown on his brow.

"I've been looking all through the house for you, Nan," he said, a little impatiently. "I didn't expect to find you in the kitchen."

"Why not? How did you happen to come home so early, Tom?"

"I heard you were ill."

"Ill! Why I'm not a bit ill."

"So I see. But I met Drake at lunch and he told me you were so sick you couldn't go out for a drive with his wife. I naturally thought you had some sudden attack and no one had had sense enough to call me up, so I rushed home."

"You poor old dear," Mrs. Buckley laughed indulgently, as she continued to whip cream. "I had no idea you were so easily alarmed."

"Any one would have been alarmed by what Drake said. How in the world did he ever get the idea that you were sick?"

"Mrs. Drake telephoned me this morning, asking me to go driving, and as I didn't feel like it I said I wasn't well."

"Oh, that's it? Why didn't you say you didn't feel like it?"

"You know you can't say such things, Tom."

"Well, I rather think I can. However, since you're in no immediate danger I'll console myself with a little golf the rest of the afternoon."

"Very well, but come home early. You know the Hender——" Mrs. Buckley ceased speaking as the door closed none too gently behind her husband. "Any one would think," she smilingly mused, "that Tom was disappointed because I'm not sick."

At 6:30, after an extremely busy afternoon, Mrs Buckley was dressed and waiting for husband and guests.

"Why in the world doesn't Tom come?" she fretted. "He'll surely keep dinner waiting while he's changing his clothes."

At 7 o'clock neither he nor the expected guests had arrived and Mrs. Buckley, tired and nervous, walked the floor of her flower-bedecked rooms.

"Well, here you are at last," she cried as Buckley appeared at 7:30. "What detained you? I've been almost wild."

"I didn't suppose you'd worry, Nan. You see, we started a foursome so late that——"

"But you knew you had to dress for dinner, Tom?"

"Dress for dinner? To-night?"

"Yes, of course. You know as well as I do that the Hendersons are coming. I can't understand why they're so late. It's inexcusable. I'll think twice before I invite them again. They should have been here an hour ago."

"But, Nan, they aren't coming."

"Aren't coming? What makes you think they're not coming?"

"Well, you see, after I left Drake to-day I ran into Henderson and I told him I was hurrying home because you were ill. He said he'd telephone his wife that the dinner was off. It was thoughtful of him, wasn't it?"

"Oh, very!" Mrs. Buckley spoke with much sarcasm. "It would have been very thoughtful of you to have mentioned to me that the Hendersons were not coming. Perhaps you think I like to work all day getting up a dinner for people who aren't coming."

For a moment Buckley looked a little crestfallen. Then, making a strong recovery, he said boldly: "But, my dear girl, I was so delighted to find you weren't really sick that the sense of relief drove every other thought out of my head."

"Except the thought of golf."

Again Buckley looked somewhat nonplussed, but in an instant he rallied.

"Hang it all, Nan, we wouldn't have had this muddle if you had told Mrs. Drake the truth in the first place."

"I can promise one thing, Thomas, dear; I won't indulge in another innocent fabrication very soon if I think there's the slightest possibility of its falling into your clumsy keeping."

"I RATHER THINK I CAN."

"Well, then, truth is once more triumphant," laughed Tom. "And your company dinner won't be wasted, my dear, for I'm ravenous."—Chicago Daily News.

ODD FIVE-FOOT LIBRARY.

English, Russian and Yiddish Mingled in Girls' Collections.

Since Dr. Eliot came to the front with his interesting assertion that a five-foot shelf is large enough to hold all the books required for a liberal education, there have been published many lists of small libraries, the Scrap Book remarks. One of the most unusual was that of the collection made by four Russian girls, none of whom had been in this country more than six years.

These girls were involved in the New York city shirt-waist strike, and it was a mishap which befell one of the quartet which led reporters to their little rooms on the crowded east side, and the discovery of what may be termed "the ambitious immigrant's five-foot library."

First on the shelf and occupying the place of honor is Webster's unabridged dictionary. Next is "The Talmud." Then in order, "Lexicon of the Christian Bible" in Yiddish; Ruskin's "Queen of the Air," Owen Meredith's "Lucile," Walter Scott's "Anne of Geierstein," complete set of Shakespeare, Karl Marx's "Capital," in Russian with Hebrew notations; Charlotte M. Braeme's "Wedded and Parted" and "Weaker Than a Woman," Conan Doyle's "A Study in Scarlet," Charles and Mary Lamb's "Tales from Shakespeare," Washington Irving's "Rip Van Winkle," Elias Peretz's "Sketches," humorous, in Yiddish (not Hebrew); Oscar Wilde's "The Love," in Yiddish translation; Nathaniel Hawthorne's "Wonder Book for Girls and Boys," Jacob Sheftel's "The Moon and Stars" in Hebrew (not Yiddish); Leo Tolstoi's "The Resurrection," Oscar Wilde's play, "Salome," in English; D. M. Haramelan's "Free Love," in Hebrew; an English-Jewish dictionary, prayer book for the holidays in Hebrew; Martin G. Brumbaugh's "English Fifth Reader," "Lives and Stories Worth Remembering," a symposium of famous people; William H. Maxwell's "Introductory Lessons in English," Alonzo Reed's (Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute), "Higher Lessons in English," Margaret Stockman Dickson's "A Hundred Years of Warfare," Westall and Stepniak's "The Blind Musician," James Otis' "The Revolutionist" and many Hebrew and Russian religious books.

In the room were two plaster busts, bought, like books, with money saved from the daily cost of living by girls earning at most a dollar a day. The busts are of George Washington and Beethoven.

The variety betrays with really remarkable fidelity the intellectual thirst of the younger generation of Russians as well as its wide range of interests.

BUENOS AIRES TO VALPARAISO.

Wonderful Railroad Spanning South America to Be Finished Soon.

The most wonderful railway in the world will be completed, if all goes well, in the course of the next week or two, Pearson's Weekly says.

It is the first line to be carried across the continent of South America, and it has taken over thirty years to build. But its chief interest lies in the immense elevation it reaches in crossing the Andes.

Here the passenger will be literally and actually traveling above the clouds. At one point it soars to a height of 12,000 feet, more than 4,000 feet higher than the world-famous Great St. Bernard Pass.

The Atlantic terminus is at Buenos Aires in Argentina, the Pacific at Valparaiso in Chile, both tropical towns; yet the line runs for hundreds of miles through a region of eternal snow and ice.

Avalanches sweep the track at intervals at these immense altitudes. So, in order to protect the trains, sloping wooden sheds, enormously strong, have been built at these points. Under them engine and carriages will be able to travel in safety, even while the snow-slides are actually thundering overhead.

Among the other wonders of this most wonderful line are a spiral tunnel, absolutely unique of its kind, that cost over £1,000,000 to bore, and a string of 118 bridges, linked together by short stretches of solid, permanent way over a distance of thirty miles.

At one point, too, the track is carried over a deep and wide ravine on a huge arch of living rock, which constitutes a natural bridge.

Like His Father.

Slum Worker—What a well-behaved little boy he is!

Burglar's Wife—And he comes by it natural, ma'am. His poor father always got his sentence reduced owin' to good behavior.—Stray Stories.

In the books a girl fights hard to keep a man from stealing a kiss, but in real life he can get one any time that needn't be snatched so abruptly it tastes of teeth.

After children are twenty-seven years old they should quit calling their father papa.

THACKERAY WAS BORED.

Amusing Incident of the Author's Second Visit to Boston.

During Thackeray's second visit to Boston, James T. Fields, his host, was asked to invite Thackeray to attend an evening meeting of a scientific club, which was to be held at the house of a distinguished member.

I was, said Mr. Fields, very reluctant to ask him to be present, for I knew he was easily bored, and I was fearful that a prosy essay or geological paper might be presented and felt certain that should such be the case he would be exasperated with me, the innocent cause of his affliction.

My worst fears were realized. I dared not look at Thackeray. I felt that his eye was upon me. My distress may be imagined when I saw him rise quite deliberately and make his exit very noiselessly into a small anteroom adjoining. The apartment was dimly lighted, but he knew that, I knew he was there.

Then began a series of pantomimic feats impossible to describe. He threw an imaginary person—myself, of course—upon the floor and proceeded to stab him several times with a paper folder, which he caught up for the purpose.

After disposing of his victim in this way he was not satisfied, for the dull lecture still went on in the other room, so he fired an imaginary revolver several times at an imaginary head.

The whole thing was inimitably done. I hoped nobody saw it but myself. Years afterward a ponderous, fat witted young man put the question squarely to me:

"What was the matter with Mr. Thackeray that night the club met at Mr. ——'s house?"

Asthma.

Among all physical ills asthma is perhaps the most irritating. It is hard to endure, and terrible to observe. Its victims die a thousand deaths as far as suffering is concerned, and yet are denied the dignity of having a fatal disease, for it is one of the heartless axioms of experience that the asthmatic sufferer is quite as likely to die of old age as of his disease. It has been said that asthma is not a disease, but a state of body, and if its victims are able to extract any comfort from the knowledge that it is nervous in its origin, they are entitled to that alleviation.

Anyone looking on for the first time at a well pronounced asthmatic seizure is convinced that he is watching a death scene, and no wonder, so terrifying are the symptoms. The patient fights piteously for breath, sometimes crouching for hours in one position, pallid, bathed in perspiration, and apparently in the final stages of suffocation; but curiously enough, with all the distress, the patient does not seem to feel any real alarm as to the outcome.

The attack may pass off either rapidly or gradually, in many cases leaving no apparent after effect except a sense of great fatigue.

Asthma being a disease with a nervous origin, it follows that there are as many theories about it and remedies for it as there are sufferers from it. With some persons the attacks are apparently a certain outcome of eating a certain kind of food, or breathing a certain kind of air, or reaching a certain day and month of the year. Many asthmatics claim the power of cheating their enemy up to a certain point by moving to some other locality when the tragic date draws near—the asthmatics living in the valleys may pass in transit their fellow sufferers who habitually live on the hills.

Those who trace their attacks to digestive disturbances learn to avoid the starchy foods, or the fat foods, or whatever food it is that upsets them. Some cannot live near a stable; others cannot be near a cretain shrub or flower. Indeed, the specialties of these unfortunate people are without number.

The asthmatic, however, has two great sources of comfort. One is the reasonable hope of reaching a good old age; the other is the fact that great help is to be found for him in a strictly hygienic mode of living. The better air he breathes, both day and night, the simpler his diet and the more wisely ordered his exercise, the fewer will be the number of his attacks.—Youth's Companion.

Robbed of Their Trophies.

When the late Gen. Edward M. McCook was living near Pike's Peak, he on one occasion presided at a dinner in honor of a famous Indian fighter. McCook, says the Washington Star, concluded his introduction of the Indian fighter with these words:

I can find but one fault with the colonel's methods. I allude to his well-known custom of enlisting in his regiment only bald-headed men. To aggravate the Indians' feelings so cruelly as that is carrying war too far.

Raw Sienna.

Raw sienna is the natural earth near Sienna, Italy, and raw umber is an earth found near Umbria.

His Measure.

"Softleigh is a man who thoroughly believes in himself?"

"Gullible ass!"—Boston Transcript.

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THE MIRACLE.

She's but a little colleen gay,
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But oh, the word she spoke the day!
  'Tis blind I am, and dumb.
Her small mouth had a pleadin' twist
As though 'twas wishful to be kissed;
I thought it gave the true word whist,
And hope lept in the heart of me.

But when I tried it—oh, the blow
  The little hand laid on me cheek!
'Twas but a feather's weight, I know,
  But sure, it left me faint and weak.
And oh, the look that changed her eyes!
'Twas like the change of Erin's skies
From shine to storm—the black surprise
And sorrow burst the heart o' me.

She stood there lashin' me bold ways—
  So weak the gentle tongue of her,
Compared with some I've got 'twas praise—
  Then somethin', sudden, seemed to stir
Within me breast. The truth it lept
Straight out, belike as if't had slept;
Then—right into me arms she crept.
Sure, joy's near crazed the heart of me.
—Harper's Weekly.

The Pledge of the Poor

The little old father seemed very dear to Margaret, who was watching him as he wrote his records rapidly in his small, cramped hand. It was all or nearly all, that he wrote. Long ago he had given up hope of the book which was to have been his life work, and buried it deep beneath a country physician's responsibilities. Margaret had always resented this. What right had these people to his life, who scarcely accorded him a living?

"Father," she said, suddenly, "what are you writing?"

He held the page with his forefinger, as he met her cold gray eyes with a pair startlingly like them. Then he smiled, and two wrinkles disappeared from his forehead, and two appeared about his mouth.

"Just visits, dear, to pay—and to be paid for," he answered.

"There are many more of the first than of the last, aren't there?"

"Why, surely."

He smiled as he said it, but Margaret did not smile. So it had always been, so it would always be—four to pay and one to be paid for. And they needed many things. No one knew that better than Margaret. Much responsibility devolved on her. The little half-invalid mother must not know, the children could not, the father did not. But Margaret had a complete understanding of the lease of life accorded boyish boots, of the wants, wishes and needs of growing girls.

She thought with hot impatience of her father's coat—how green it had looked in yesterday's blaze of sunlight! How green it would look in the sunlight of how many to-morrows! It was not right; it was not fair. She had a fierce impulse to hide him away from others and himself; to lighten his path with the success her love and ambition craved. He spent himself freely on those who gave not again. He threw his love, his learning, his very life into a battle which was not to the strong.

Margaret laid down the scarcely touched sewing. The offer of assistance trembled on her lips. But before she had time to speak, a knock sounded.

Margaret knew that knock—hurried, anxious, impatient, that would not be denied. The old door had echoed to many scores of just such knocks.

"O dear!" she said. Her father started as soon as she. Knocks like that, the call to arms of the physician, sounded through his deepest slumbers. He was transformed in the twinkling of an eye. The wearied old man was the alert physician, confident, eager-eyed, the light of battle on his face. Margaret's heart thrilled as she looked at him.

In a moment he was back. He turned to Margaret, half-laughing.

"It's Mrs. Barr's baby—the healthiest little mite. Quite likely it is merely a pin sticking him, but I'll have to go and set her mind at rest."

"But you're so tired. Why don't you let her wait till morning?"

"Why, Margaret! By morning I should have two patients on my hands. You don't know these young mothers."

"I know they haven't much consideration."

"Now, Margaret, that isn't like you. How can we expect her to think of anything but her little sick child?" As he talked the physician had been throwing things in a little black bag. He shut it now with a sharp click.

"It's quite probable there's nothing much the matter with the baby. If not, I'll be back to-night. If I should be detained, though, I may have to take the train instead of coming home."

"I thought the convention was next week."

"It is, but I'm leaving two days ahead of time. There's a case Parker wants to talk over with me."

Margaret flushed with pride at the honor so simply stated. After all, there were some who appreciated him.

"But what about the bills you were going to make out, father? You see, the girls' winter things have to come, and——"

"Jack's shoes, and Robert's, and—I know them all, my little troubled Martha, but I can't delay to-night."

"Could I make them out? Even a day makes a difference."

"Why, to be sure you could. It would be a help to me."

He picked up the book, and rapidly turned the pages, marking here and there with a cross. He passed the book to Margaret.

"Get out these I have marked, like a good girl, Margaret, and you'll soon have in what you need."

Then, with a hasty good-by, he was gone.

In the morning he had not returned, and Margaret sat long with the little leather-covered book in her hand, idly turning the pages. The places marked with a cross were not many. She had counted and recounted the ones which were reasonably sure to pay. The sum total was pitifully inadequate. Even if every one he had marked paid in full and at once, there was an alarming deficit. There was nothing she could do.

But suddenly, as that thought came to her puzzled brain, another followed. There was something she could do—something that would set things straight for the present and leave a little margin for the encroaching future. In a moment the impotent leather-covered book had assumed the proportions of the purse of Fortunatus. There were dozens and dozens of visits with no check after them. Her father had not intended to send them out, but if she did, and the reluctant bills were safely paid, who could be anything but glad about it?

Once decided, she wrote rapidly in her large, firm hand, so different from her father's. The table was soon littered with bills. On those of longest standing she wrote, "Please remit." When the rural postman arrived, she had a load for him. And then she waited.

The waiting was not long. That evening there came a timid, hesitating knock on the door where a peremptory summons so often sounded. Margaret threw it wide. For a moment she did not know the woman who stood before her, a shawl thrown over her head. But she knew the voice.

"It's Mrs. Halloran, Miss Margaret, my dear. I've brung the money. Tell me, is it sick the doctor is?"

"Why, no. Father is quite well, but——"

"Is it yer mother worser, thin?"

"No," answered Margaret. "What made you think so?"

"Won't ye tell me what's wrong, my dear?" persisted the woman. "Sure.

THERE WAS AN ALARMING DEFICIT.

I knowed there was a somethin' whin it came, the bill marked 'Plase remit.' My Dannie read it to me. Says I, 'He's in trouble, the little doctor.' Thin out I goes an' sells the cow. An' here's the money, Miss Margaret, thirty-five dollars. It leaves five owin', but Dannie'll soon raise that, an' I'll run up wid it. If 'twar thirty-five hundred I'd not begrudge it fur what he's done for me."

She undid the knots in an old bandanna handkerchief, and brought to light the pieces of shining gold. Her face, seamed and marked by care, her work-worn hands, appealed to Margaret. She spoke impulsively, putting the gold back in the old handkerchief.

"Mrs. Halloran, I want you to take this money and buy your cow again. The need is not so pressing—a way has come since that bill was sent that makes it unnecessary for us to take it."

The relief was plain on the woman's face. She protested, but feebly, while her old hand hovered over the coin. It is not lightly that one relinquishes the means of livelihood. She patted Margaret's hand.

"Ye're yer father's own daughter, my dear. I couldn't speak a finer word about ye. He's a good man—the best I ever knowed; that merciful to the poor, ye wouldn't believe. He'd be doin' much better in a better neighborhood. But the blessin' of the poor—I think that goes for somethin'."

Margaret razed her air-castles of unclean foundations to the ground. In the morning, after she had made her mother comfortable and sent the children to school, she took the old horse and cart and started out on her round of visits. And just as the angel once spared the houses marked, so Margaret dealt mercifully with the ones which were not. She collected the disturbing little slips of paper, reading a lesson in many a poverty-stricken place. In some the money was ready, in some it was not, but no one had blamed the doctor.

Margaret was glad of that. To each she gave the same excuse—the bills had been sent by mistake. She did not feel the words an untruth. She sighed as she drove homeward. So far things had turned out well, but the hardest part was to come. It would be difficult to explain to her father, to feel his disappointment in her. Yet inconsistently, she longed for his return.

She drove to the station to meet him. All the way home she pondered how to tell him, while they talked of trivial things. Just a question, "Any of my patients been up, Margaret?"

And then it was out. Blunderingly, stumblingly, sparing not herself, making no excuses, Margaret told her tale, hardly daring to meet her father's eyes.

He did not speak for a moment. When he did, it was very tenderly, "My little girl!"—Youth's Companion.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Greater Number of Births as Well as Deaths Among Poor.

An investigation just made by the New York milk committee with a view to getting definite information as to the effects of infant mortality on social and economic conditions has resulted in some interesting disclosures. Three sections of the city were selected for study, varying much in size, owing to different densities of population, but each containing about 7,500 persons. In the first, inhabited largely by the rich, only thirty-seven children were born in a year; in the second, where the circumstances of the people were what is called comfortable, the births numbered 160, while in the third, where poverty prevailed, 434 babies were born.

But during two summer weeks, one of them the hottest of the year, not one of the thirty-seven babies or of the 160 died, while among the 434 there were sixteen deaths. The figures are not large enough to warrant any final conclusions as to percentages, but doubtless they are fairly characteristic of the three classes. The immunity of the babies in the two more fortunate classes during this hot fortnight only happened to be complete, and that peculiarity would not be likely to be repeated.

That the one group did as well as the other is explained by the investigators as due to equally efficient care in both, in the one case, however, largely the care of highly trained nurses, and in the second to that of mothers with leisure and intelligence. Among the very poor each of the much more numerous babies had a decidedly smaller chance of life, but many more than enough of them survived to outnumber the other groups. Probably at the attainment of adult age the difference will not be nearly as large, for the excess of mortality will remain where it began.—New York Times.

DANGERS OF PATENT LEATHER.

Shiny Shoes Are a Menace to Life and Limb in the City.

It has become a matter of some doubt in the minds of many people whether patent leather shoes should be worn in the streets, the New York Evening Sun says.

Is it safer or is it not? Should we endanger our lives in the distraction of traffic when, by wearing slightly less shiny shoes, we could give our attention to dodging automobiles and ducking street cars? No child should be allowed out alone in patent-leather shoes—that is decided without a moment's doubt; but even people of maturer years are not quite responsible for their own safety when wearing patent-leather shoes.

They cannot be, no matter what their strength of character. If one's shoes will shine, so one must watch them, and if one walks with one's eyes riveted on one's flashing feet, one of necessity bumps into something, and it is nothing less than cold luck if the something is a lamp-post or a postman instead of a flying fire engine. And then one's progress is so slow. Absorbed, captivated, held spellbound by one's own boot tips, one is so very apt to arrive late at the place one was going to or forget completely one's destination and sinking on to a park bench wave one's feet slowly about, bewitched by their sparkling high lights.

Holland has most wisely and kindly opened up a wide thoroughfare for those persons who prefer roller skates to other modes of conveyance, and as nothing more than a humane precaution the city ought to set aside one street for those incorrigible venturesome people who will wear patent leather boots in public.

DOLLARLESS DOLLIVAR.

Policeman's Concern for Senator's Welfare When He Was a Lad.

The son of a Methodist minister, Senator Dolliver entered early upon a political career; he had the old-fashioned way of using anecdotes to illustrate his points, which was then considered effective, though he may have changed his style with the times. He is one of the orators who frankly admit that they "like to talk," a taste he thinks he may have inherited from his father and grandfather—the latter a Massachusetts sea-faring man, whose cargo of cotton during the war of 1812 was confiscated by General Jackson; if he had his grandson's eloquence it is probable that he made some remarks that would have been worthy of preservation. When preaching on a large circuit in Virginia, and often riding 200 miles in a week, Mr. Dolliver's father met the lady who became his wife, and that is the reason that the Senator hails from West Virginia, and was educated at the state university there.

After his graduation at the age of 17 the young man decided to migrate to Illinois, says the National Magazine. He tells thus of this first western visit:

"Standing in the railway station of Columbus, O., a policeman tapped me on the shoulder and with a warning glance said:

"'You have just been talking, my boy, with one of the most dangerous pickpockets in the United States.'

"'One of the most dangerous pickpockets in the United States has just been talking to a country boy who has not a red cent to his name,' was my reply."

Some very capable men are not only dogmatic, but bull-dogmatic

EDITORIALS

Opinions of Great Papers on Important Subjects.

THE PICKPOCKET AND HIS VICTIM.

A MAN from whom a sum of money has been stolen and who has caused the arrest of a suspect receives an offer of the return of the money taken if he will drop the prosecution. Desiring the return of his money more than the punishment of the thief, he consents. The money is returned and he notifies the police and the court that he has no charges to make. Whereupon the judge orders the release of the man whose guilt is practically confessed by the return of the money.

What are the moral aspects of such a case as this? The victim of the thief is naturally eager to get his money back, but is he justified in letting the thief go? Is he not, in fact, compounding a felony when he agrees to such a settlement? What right has he to save the thief from imprisonment and to set him free, so that he may prey on society? Such questions often confront citizens against whom crimes are committed. The temptation to recover the valuables and the repugnance for being mixed in court proceedings frequently lead to such settlements. There can be no doubt, however, that they are against public policy and, in point of fact, indefensible.

One may go farther and question the wisdom of the judge who will let a prisoner go under such circumstances. It would seem better to secure the attendance in court of the accuser by whatever means may be necessary, so that a trial of the matter could be held. The offer and acceptance of the return of the stolen money would be strong corroborative evidence of the guilt of the accused man. Pickpockets are dangerous persons to be at large. When caught red-handed they ought to be prosecuted to the limit, whether the victim gets his money back or not.—Minneapolis Journal.

COAL TAR PRODUCTS AND HEART FAILURE.

SO MANY people suffer from sleeplessness and other real or imaginary affections of what we call nerves; and so many who think they suffer also think they find relief in a certain cycle of hypnotic drugs, that the permanent effect of these drugs on health is a matter of even more popular than medical interest. The drugs in question are derived from the by-products of gas making and oil refining, coke burning and the like. Science has utilized these unpleasant mineral smells as it has utilized the animal smells of the packing houses. These compounds are grouped together for the chemist by the fact that they approach the highly complex formulas of organic chemistry and for the vulgar world of apothecaries and patients by the fact that the names of most of them end in al. They differ from the opiates or narcotics formerly used to produce sleep in their direct effect upon the brain and nerves through the circulation. This effect is produced through an influence upon heart action against excess of which medical men warn patients and which observing patients are able to detect. This effect varies in different preparations and in different patients, according to their condition and susceptibility, all the way from a slight depression of vitality to complete heart failure and stoppage of life. Some drugs seem to affect one person in this way and some another, but few persons are immune to all of them.

It appears that medical men in the East are proceeding from individual warnings in relation to the use of drugs to an organized campaign against any resort to them except on a physician's order and under his direction. They resemble other remedies in the respect that injurious results follow their abuse. Whether these results are so uniform and certain as to make it necessary to pay a doctor's bill every time one takes a dose appears still to be a matter of dispute.—St. Paul Dispatch.

WHY MEATS ARE HIGH.

THE schemes of "civilization" to put food materials (mixed with some materials that are not food) through various complications that greatly increase the price and hence the profit to the mixers, and that capture trade by putting out a product that has a different appearance, color, odor or taste from the same thing in a less expensive form, are entirely based upon our anthropoid curiosity.

In the case of meats, for instance, the farmer takes grain worth a cent and a half a pound and feeds it to a steer who completely consumes fourteen out of fifteen pounds of it, and deposits in his carcass, together with the fifteen pounds of grain, two pounds of water. Now this steer the farmer sells to the packer at a rate high enough to pay for all his feed, labor and the loss from animals that did not thrive. Next the packer turns 40 per cent of this steer into fertilizer and fusses and fixes the rest of it up and passes it on to us through the hands of a dozen storage men, wholesalers and retailers; finally it reaches the consumer a pitifully meager share of the original food grown on the farm, and hopelessly loaded with the product of the steer's physiological economy and the packer's chemical laboratory.

When one considers the waste and folly of the whole proceeding, instead of being surprised that meats are high, he wonders that they are so low.—Physical Culture.

BACK TO THE LAND

ONE HUNDRED years ago human society was essentially rural. Since then the great collective interests have developed, and the thought of the world has become largely urban. The present interest in country life is the rising of a tide. It is an unconscious expression of the sentiment lying back in the human mind that society must be neither predominantly rural nor predominantly urban. We are now beginning to see that the most fertile civilization must be the result of the attrition of the two great means by which human beings express themselves—as individuals and as collective or aggregate units. Country life typifies the individual self-acting unsyndicated means; city life typifies the associated consolidated and corporate means.—National Magazine.

CLIMATIC IRRITABILITY.

Why Certain Localities Are Bracing and Others Are Enervating.

Certain places are said to be "bracing," while others enjoy an unenviable reputation of being enervating, though the latter quality is sometimes described as "soothing," according to the London Lancet. The very antithesis of soothing is the climate too often met with in many resorts on the Mediterranean littoral during winter, where a blend of hot and cold that is disagreeable to the healthy and very trying to the invalid may frequently be experienced.

It is common in midwinter in these places for the landscape to be quivering in the hot sun while a piercing wind from the northeast seizes every opportunity—the shade of a palm tree or a wall—to grip the unwary traveler in its fierce embrace to the detriment of his comfort, possibly of his health. The inexperienced laugh at the cautious resident who dons his overcoat in spite of what looks and feels like summer sunshine, but the wages of ignorance is often disease.

There is one curious effect of these bitter-sweet climates—namely, a certain irritability of temper that attacks people after a few weeks spent in these surroundings. Ask any one who has passed three months at Helouan or Algiers, Nice or Menton, and although he may not admit it as regards himself he will readily concede the truth of this observation on behalf of his friends.

Now, this irritability is no doubt an outward and visible manifestation of a disturbance of nervous equilibrium consequent on nervous exhaustion. The effect of these rapidly recurring alternations of heat and cold on the nervous system is strictly comparable with that of quick alterations of light and dark on the eye. The bewildered vaso-motor system does its best to respond to the kaleidoscopic indications, but fails and ultimately reacts on the nervous system as a whole.

When this symptom declares itself it is time to move on, either further south, where the variations of temperature are less marked, or to a higher altitude, where the temperature, being low, is more uniform.

The latter is the better choice of the two, because no matter how far south one goes, starting from the Mediterranean, much the same difference obtains between the temperature in the sun and that of the wind. The only advantage attending the desert air is that, being absolutely dry, the alternations are less trying than the near coast, where the relative humidity is high.

Spiders in the Cheese.

Andre Laturbe, a young Parisian who thought he had solved the problem of living at other people's expense, has been arrested for a most ingenious fraud, a St. Louis Post-Dispatch's Paris correspondent says.

His method was to go to a fashionable restaurant and dine well. When he got to the cheese stage he produced from his pocket a little tin box full of spiders. To introduce a couple of spiders on the plate from which he was eating his cheese was the work of a moment. Then he called the waiter and protested loudly against the filthiness of supplying food with spiders in it.

On the arrival of the manager he protested still more loudly and the ruse invariably ended by the distracted manager hushing the thing up by inviting the outraged customer to take a glass of old brandy and tendering profuse apologies. Of course the waiter was instructed to present no bill.

But finally Laturbe, in choosing a restaurant where he has not been before, happened to choose one that employed a waiter who had seen his trick at another establishment. This man quietly sent for the police and when Laturbe had been arrested and searched the box of spiders was found in his pocket.

Ian Hay, who comes before the American public for the first time with his new novel, "The Right Stuff," is a young Scotch writer. "The Right Stuff" has been compared with Barrie's "When a Man's Single." It deals with London life of to-day.

Maurice Hewlett has lately been appearing as the bellwether of Thomas Hardy's admirers. Mr. Hewlett belongs to a family that has lived in Somerset and Dorset for generations. The members of the family were always Whigs and Puritans. Mr. Hewlett has some French Huguenot blood. His early reading was Mallory, the Bible, "Don Quixote" in English, Sir Thomas Browne.

William Allen White recently entertained Governor Stubbs of Kansas, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan and Miss Morgan at his home in Emporia. In an interview the next day the Governor characterized Miss Morgan as an "insurgent." This is perhaps significant in view of the fact that Victor Murdock, who, it is believed, is the original of one of the characters in Mr. White's novel, "A Certain Rich Man," is an intimate friend of Mr. White's—and a leading insurgent.

H. G. Wells tells a story of a business man next to whom he once sat at a public dinner. The conversation had turned upon one of his own books, and Mr. Wells had said something to the effect that "were there no self-seekers the world would be a Utopia." This neighbor promptly observed: "I maintain that all water used for drinking and culinary purposes should be boiled at least an hour." "You are a physician, I presume?" suggested the novelist. "No, sir," was the reply, "I am in the coal line."

It is well known that at one stage of his career Mark Twain was in serious financial difficulties. He was interested in the publishing firm of C. L. Webster & Co., and when that company failed he insisted upon undertaking their liabilities. The figures are now being recalled. "The assets of the company were realized upon as far as possible, which enabled the firm to pay about 40 cents on the dollar. As the entire debts amounted to $100,000, this left $60,000 of unpaid and unsecured debts. When this became known Mark Twain announced that he would assume personally the responsibility of paying the $60,000. His phrase was: 'I'll pay this if I live.' No one believed him, but he immediately went on a lecture tour, wrote 'Following the Equator,' and kept at work until he had paid every dollar of the Webster indebtedness."

Aged Man Sings Six Hours.

What is believed to be the most prolonged singing performance on record has just been achieved by Alexander R. Porter, a magistrate living in the Liverpool suburb of Waterloo, who before retiring from business was chief accountant in Liverpool of the North and South Wales bank, the London Express says.

Mr. Porter has sung a hundred songs in one evening by way of demonstrating his vigor at the age of 72. The veteran magistrate is sprightly in his bearing and has a ruddy and cheerful face. He believes that vigorous and frequent singing tends to longevity and good health and attributes his own mental and physical well-being to vocal exercise. Since he was a lad he has always begun the day by a vigorous bout of singing before breakfast and closed it with a liberal exercise of his vocal cords in the evening.

The more he has sung the more he has found himself able to sing, and he contends that the singing has invigorated his heart and brain, expanded his lungs, and so largely contributed to his enjoyment of good health.

Mr. Porter on his 72d birthday gave a party to relatives and friends, and during the evening sang 72 songs, one for each year of his life. The songs included modern light opera, old ballads and sacred selections, and were rendered in a rich and powerful baritone, accompanied by a pianoforte. The feat took six hours, with necessary intervals.

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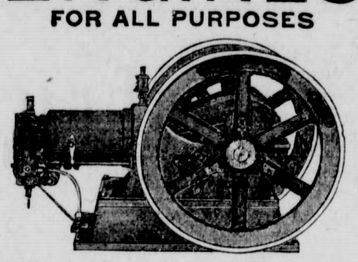

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ENGLISH OFFICER'S TRAVELS.

Sees Strange Sights in 4,000-Mile Trip Through Asiatic Turkey.

Lieut. Etherton, a young officer in the Garhwal rifles, who has just arrived in England after completing a secret service mission on behalf of the British government, spent three months in his overland journey from the Himalayas, through Chinese Turkestan, Mongolia and Siberia, to the Trans-Siberian Railway, a total distance of 4,000 miles, a London exchange says.

After suffering almost incredible hardships and privations Lieut. Etherton finally carried his mission to a triumphal conclusion. At the end of his journey he received a cable from England announcing the death of his mother.

Some idea of the remarkable nature of Lieut. Etherton's explorations may be gleaned from what he tells.

Strange nomad women in Chinese Turkestan, who ride bucking horses in thigh boots with high French heels and are wooed and won by being captured on horseback. As many as a dozen suitors frequently take part in an exciting "chase of love."

District officials who were completely won over by the gift of a bottle of preserved gooseberries or a box of assorted crystallized fruit.

Mongolian natives who were utterly cowed by the daily "telescoping" of the explorer's collapsible bed.

A mysterious deserted lake, near the Russian frontier, 800 miles in extent, but of unknown depth, in which no fish swim and no boats float.

A Surprised Lion.

The man-eating lions did not always get their own way. Five Sikh carpenters made a staging eight feet high, and on this they fixed their sleeping tent. Each night they ascended by means of a ladder, which they drew up after them. They were warned that it was not high enough, but were content to believe that God was all powerful. One night they left the edge of the ladder projecting beyond the end of the staging. A hungry man eater on the prowl observed this and, thinking he could not find a meal more conveniently elsewhere, determined to try how a carpenter tasted. Calculating his spring, he leaped lightly onto the projecting ladder, which, unfortunately for him, instantly tipped up and toppled over, both falling heavily to the ground. The lion bolted; so did all the men, making for the nearest trees.—From "In the Grip of the Nyika," by Colonel J. H. P. Patterson.

Making It Simple.

The scholarly-looking man with the big eyeglasses had been invited to address the Sunday school and was making a few remarks concerning the lesson.

"I see the word 'line' occurs here," he said. "Will some one give me a definition of 'line?'"

Nobody answered.

"It is very easy," he proceeded, encouragingly, "though you may find it a little perplexing to convey the idea in simple terms. Try again. Well, the ordinary signification of the word is longitudinal extension, but here it denotes a predetermined boundary. I am sure, my young friends, you can remember that."

Always the Unexpected.

Riggs—What did she do when you kissed her?

Briggs—She said, "Oh, this is so unexpected!"

Riggs—What did you say then?

Briggs—I told her that the unexpected always happened.—Harvard Lampoon.

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The United States gets nearly all its nickel from Ontario, producing but little, and as it refines more than it uses, is a heavy exporter of the metal.

The Irregular Verb "To Be."

In one of the Senate cloak-rooms during a recent session, the talk turned, says a writer in the Troy Press, on the old ante-bellum negro of the South and his amusing originalities in the use of the English language.

Senator Taylor, of Tennessee, said the finest example he knew of was the remark made by an old negro whose worthless son was married secretly. The old man heard of it and asked the boy if he was married.

"I ain't sayin' I ain't," the boy replied.

"Now, you, 'Rastus," stormed the old man, "I ain't askin' you is you ain't; I is askin' you ain't you is!"

Out of Practice.

"Well, I've got a job at last. It begins to-morrow morning and it's in a factory where there are a lot of girls. I'm more than half afraid to tackle it."

"Afraid of the girls?"

"Naw. Of the work."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Tommy Explains.

"Tommy, you have been to church two Sunday mornings in succession. That's doing splendidly—for you."

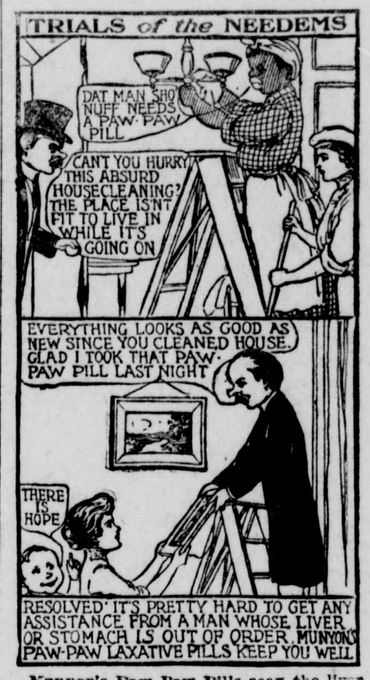
"Yes'm. Last Sunday the preacher was going to talk about Jonah an' the whale, but he only talked about Jonah. Said he'd preach the rest of it to-day, and I had to go again to-day to hear about the whale."

To Fit the Situation.

Butcher—What can I send you today, Mrs. Styles?

Mrs. Styles—Send me a leg of mutton, and be sure it is from a black sheep; we are in mourning, you know.—Jewish Ledger.

TRIALS of the NEEDEMS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STUDENTS' CHEAP LIVING.

Ten Members of the "Epicurean" Fared Well at $1.20 a Week.

The "Epicurean," a "self-boarding" club of university students, closed, with the Christmas vacation, the tenth week of its existence. The experiment proved a success beyond all anticipation.

Ten boys are in this club, says the K. U. Graduate Magazine. For doing the work—cooking, dishwashing, etc.—the members are divided into five pairs. Each pair prepares four meals a week, not more than two in succession. The amount of time required for the preparation of each meal, taking out twenty minutes for eating, averages from one to one and a half hours. In addition to this, Wednesdays and Saturdays are "special clean-up" days.

All the members serve in succession as stewards, each member holding the office for two weeks. Club rates are secured by them on all purchases.

The rotation of the office of cook gives special variety to the fare.

The expense of furnishing the combined kitchen and dining room amounted to $30. Bulk groceries for beginning cost $20. Work done in furnishing the room amounted to $14. The rent was $8.50. This made the starting expense about $75. The money for the starting and running expenses was raised by ten weekly assessments; two of $4, one of $2 and seven $1. This amounts to $170. The fixtures now on hand—dishes, tables, chairs, cupboard, gas range and cooking utensile—are worth more than $40. Groceries on hand at Christmas would net over $10. This leaves $120 as the cost of boarding ten young men for ten weeks, or $1.20 a week for each man.

The many fears of starvation and ill health which women, especially, are likely to associate with bachelor life, certainly do not apply here, for all the members have enjoyed excellent health and have added weight. One man has gained eight pounds, another six and a half, and others almost as much.

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Stanley, the Stern.

Henry M. Stanley, as his pictures show, was a man who never relaxed his severity because of anybody's pleasantry or familiarity. He wanted to gain his object. He was, says William H. Rideing in McClure's Magazine, "both despot and martinet, stern and exacting, uncompromising, silent, humorless, inscrutable and Cromwellian."

"I cannot say we loved him," one of his lieutenants said to me; "we were all afraid of him, but we all believed in him. When he hadn't his rifle in hand, he had his Bible, and no matter where our camp was, or how long and distressing our march had been, he never missed his bath and shave in the morning."

What details to inspire an imaginary portrait of him! The silent man in white, imperturbable in the heart of the African forest, his words restricted to commands, which his followers recognizing their destiny in him, leaped to obey!

Watch Her Grow.

Daniel O'Connell Lively, of Portland, Ore., who is somewhat of a booster himself, tells a story of two Seattle boosters who met in Portland.

"Hello, Bill!"

"Hello, Jim!"

"When'd you come down from Seattle?"

"I left yesterday morning."

"I came down last night, and say, Bill——"

"What?"

"Jee-rusalem! You ought to see her now!"—Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

Trees Brought Rain.

In lower Egypt rain fell very seldom. During the French occupation, about 1789, it did not rain for sixteen months, but since Mahomet Ali and Ibrahim Pasha completed their vast plantations—the former alone planted more than 20,000,000 olive, fir, cotton, acacia, plane trees, etc.—there now falls a good deal of rain.

From Sentiment to Economy.

"Is Reginald as literary as he used to be?" said one young woman.

"Yes," answered the other. "Only his tastes have changed. Before we were married he used to recite Omar Khayyam. Now he recites Poor Richard's maxims."—Washington Star.

Squelching a False Rumor.

Traveler (in Drearyhurst)—I think I have heard that the people of your town are about to have its name changed to something else.

Uncle Welby Gosh—Ther' ain't no foundation fur that story, mister. You've got us mixed up with Oshkosh.—Chicago Tribune.

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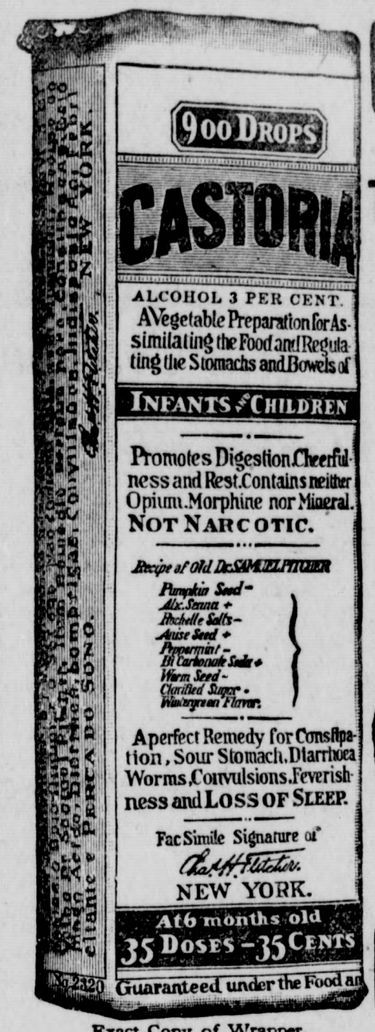
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San Francisco.—To the city, either New Orleans or San Francisco, or possibly both, raising $7,500,000 will be awarded the exposition in 1915 in celebration of the opening of the Panama canal, this being the text of the resolutions reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. And, as if in direct answer to the action in Washington, was the mass meeting held in the Merchants' Exchange when it was given out that San Francisco had raised already $5,750,000, and with prolonged cheering and handclapping the assembly pledged itself to raise the full $7,500,000. Incidentally, the meeting, running riot with enthusiasm, subscribed another $100,000 to the general pool.

While the general tenor of the meeting was that the total sum required by Congress should be raised by individual subscription, a resolution was passed unanimously asking the municipality of San Francisco to take the necessary steps and bond itself for $5,000,000 for the purpose of the Panama-Pacific exposition.

The action of the congressional committee was totally unexpected. The belief was that it would decide one way or another, giving the exposition to either New Orleans or San Francisco. Instead, it reported favorably on resolutions in favor of both San Francisco and New Orleans.

The meeting at the Merchants' Exchange was packed to the doors. Present there were the leading men of the city. The news from Washington had been made public a few hours before in a telegram from James Rolph Jr. and Charles S. Aiken, who are in Washington working for San Francisco. The telegram was as follows:

"House committee has reported out favorably. Both San Francisco and New Orleans resolutions amended by raising the amounts of subscriptions to $7,500,000. The President is therefore authorized upon passage of resolutions to recognize the city first raising the sum. San Francisco, with her indomitable pluck and unexcelled courage, can easily accomplish any task proposed and San Francisco ultimately can win. Good wishes to you all."

Washington.—Unwilling to favor either of the rival Panama Exposition cities, San Francisco or New Orleans, the House Committee on Foreign Affairs decided to report favorably two resolutions, authorizing the President to invite foreign nations to participate in each exposition to be held in the two cities whenever each city had raised $7,500,000 for the purpose of holding its exposition. The Senate committee has taken no action on similar measures, and neither House will act on them during the present session.

The New Orleans contingent appeared jubilant over the committee's action, claiming it was in their favor and a blow at San Francisco. The San Francisco adherents admitted that the action was not what they wanted, but declared they could raise any amount necessary to gain Government indorsement of the fair.

The committee adopted the resolutions of both Representative Kahn of California and Representative Estopinal of Louisiana. They were nearly identical.

It is the belief of many that New Orleans will be unable to raise the required $7,500,000, and that San Francisco will easily do so. In that event there will be but one exposition, and it will be held in the Pacific Coast metropolis.

$100,000 For Man Who Exposed Sugar Trust Frauds

Washington.—The amount that Richard Parr will receive for uncovering the sugar trust frauds will be $100,000.

Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh decided on this figure after the cabinet had discussed the matter. Either a special appropriation will have to be made by Congress or an arrangement made with Parr to pay him on the installment plan.

Parr is practically a nervous wreck and will be granted a year's leave of absence.

Secretary MacVeagh said: "Parr was sought to be bribed with offers of very large sums of money, but resisted all offers."

Parr was responsible for the recovery of $2,100,000 in defaulted duties, though the Government will realize annually $400,000 per year more.

New York.—Mr. Parr was informed of the decision of the President and the Secretary of the Treasury.

"The reward is just about one-tenth of what I expected," he said bitterly. "The Government gives me $100,000 just like a master drops a crumb to a yellow dog. It makes no difference if the dog has saved millions of his master's property from thieves.

"I suppose to an outsider the sum would seem large," continued Parr, "but to me, who has been through so much to earn it, it seems pitiably small. I did not mention any amount in my claim, which, by the way, was filed over a year ago. But I relied on securing at least 35 per cent of the money I had saved the Government, which would have amounted to almost $800,000."

Parr's friends say he is entitled to awards on three other large recoveries by the United States, namely, the Arbuckle Sugar Refinery, the National Sugar Refining Company and the Federal Sugar Refining Company.

The amounts of restitution total $3,550,000.

Keen Demand for Cream Sends Up Dairymen's Profits

Stockton.—The demand for cream during the past three months has exceeded all previous records by far and resulted in a shortage of first-class butter in the San Joaquin valley. Orders for cream have been pouring in from San Francisco, Los Angeles and other Western points, and the dairymen have secured such good figures that many of them have stopped shipping to creameries or having their cream turned into butter. This has caused quite an increase in the price of creamery butter. Grocers who have been in the habit of making contracts early each summer for their winter supply of butter, both creamery and storage, cannot get a firm in San Francisco or about the bay to give them figures. They are informed that the supply is so short that no agreements will be made even a month or two ahead.

Those who have been closely following the situation declare that the only remedy is the planting of more alfalfa or other dairy food products. Land suitable for alfalfa is steadily increasing in value and will soon be very high. The canned cream factories are also calling upon the farmers and dairies for cream, but many of them have been unable to secure as much cream as they require. It is claimed that the profits from dairies are the largest at present ever known.

New York.—Private wire advices from California say that the forestry department of the Government will close down the Bully Hill smelter July 1st because of the fumes.

Los Angeles.—Police Judge Ross a few days ago held that an unloaded revolver is not a deadly weapon and dismissed a guntoter, arrested on the charge of carrying concealed weapons.

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Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Administrator with the Will and Codicil annexed, of the estate of said deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four (4) months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator, at the office of E. F. Fitzpatrick, No. 10 Broadway, Redwood City, California, the same being his place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the said County of San Mateo, State of California.

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Attorney for said Estate.

July 15

Oakland to Have a Stock Show.

Sacramento.—As a result of a conference between Secretary A. A. Denison of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, who was accompanied by Theodore Gier and the executive committee of the State Agricultural Society, relative to the holding of a stock fair and horse show in Oakland, following the State Fair next fall, the committee decided to approve the proposition, provided that Oakland would guarantee to make up any deficiency. The $5,000 remaining of the appropriation made for last year's fair at Oakland will be available, in addition to the concessions and gate receipts, to finance the undertaking.

Taft Visited by Armed Lunatic.

Washington.—A muscular man, six feet in height, with black hair and heavy black mustache, and with a revolver in his pocket, called at the executive offices of the White House a few days ago and asked to see the President. He was recognized as the same man who visited the executive mansion June 17th of last year, and when arrested at that time had two revolvers in his possession. The man gave his name as James Stricklin, and said he was from Cumberland, Md. He is supposed to be insane.

Taught School 32 Terms.

Petaluma.—A Petaluma school teacher holds the record for teaching. Mrs. A. J. McPhail has taught the Union district school for 32 terms. Her school closed last week and she has been re-elected as teacher. Union district is divided between Marin and Sonoma counties and is on the borderline. Mrs. McPhail has not missed a day's teaching in all that time for any cause and has taught winter and summer, driving 10 miles daily to and from her home in this city.

Aged Couple Remarried.

Tacoma.—That they might spend their last days together, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lamley, aged 81 and 69 respectively, were remarried here last week after a separation of ten years. They were married in 1856 in Oregon. The aged husband conducts a small grocery store here and is in poor health. His wife said that he needed some one to take care of him and that she wanted to do it.

Cuba to Have a Monte Carlo.

Havana.—A Havana committee of the House of Representatives has favorably reported the bill granting a concession for the establishment of a Cuban Monte Carlo, where there will be racing, bull fighting and all kinds of gaming. The property will revert to the state in thirty years.

Stabs Officer With Hatpin.

Globe, A. T.—While attempting to arrest a woman charged with disturbing the peace Deputy Marshal G. W. Morris was stabbed with a hatpin, which penetrated the abdomen and inflicted a wound which may cause death.

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Gamblers' Credit Not Good.

Sacramento.—Gamblers' credit is not considered a safe asset by local grocers, butchers, bakers, etc. So that is the reason why some real estate speculators are finding it difficult to get groceries these days and have them "charged." While the Retail Grocers' Association has declined to act officially on the matter, it is stated by the individual members that the grocers place the "shoestring" realty speculators in the same category as a gambler who takes his chances with cards, dice or ponies.

Divorces Necessary, Says Pastor.

Asbury Park, N. J.—The assertion by the Rev. J. J. Allen, assistant pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church of New York, that he considered divorce just as necessary as marriage caused a stir in the general synod of the Reformed Church in America, in session here last week. Vigorous protests against this view came from many delegates. On a vote the synod reaffirmed its stand taken in 1904, when it declared that divorces should be granted only for the one biblical cause.

To Advertise Apples.

Sebastopol.—The fruit growers of the Forestville district, north of this city, are planning to ship a trainload of Gravenstein apples to New York in August at the close of the big apple and product exhibit, to be held here. The proposition is to have each car labeled "Gravenstein Apples of Sonoma County, Cal." The fruit would sell for sufficient to more than pay the expense, and it would be splendid advertising.

Highgrader Convicted.

Goldfield, Nev.—M. J. Smith, the assayer, convicted of high-grading, was sentenced in the District Court to serve three years in the penitentiary. There are several others accused of high-grading to be tried. It was shown during the trial of Smith that he arranged with others to steal the high-grade amalgam from the Goldfield Consolidated mill, and that he then purchased it at a good price.

Kaiser Has a Sore Knee.

Potsdam.—Emperor William, who was recently inconvenienced by an abscess on the right wrist, is now troubled with an abrasion on the inside of his right knee. It was produced by horseback riding.

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